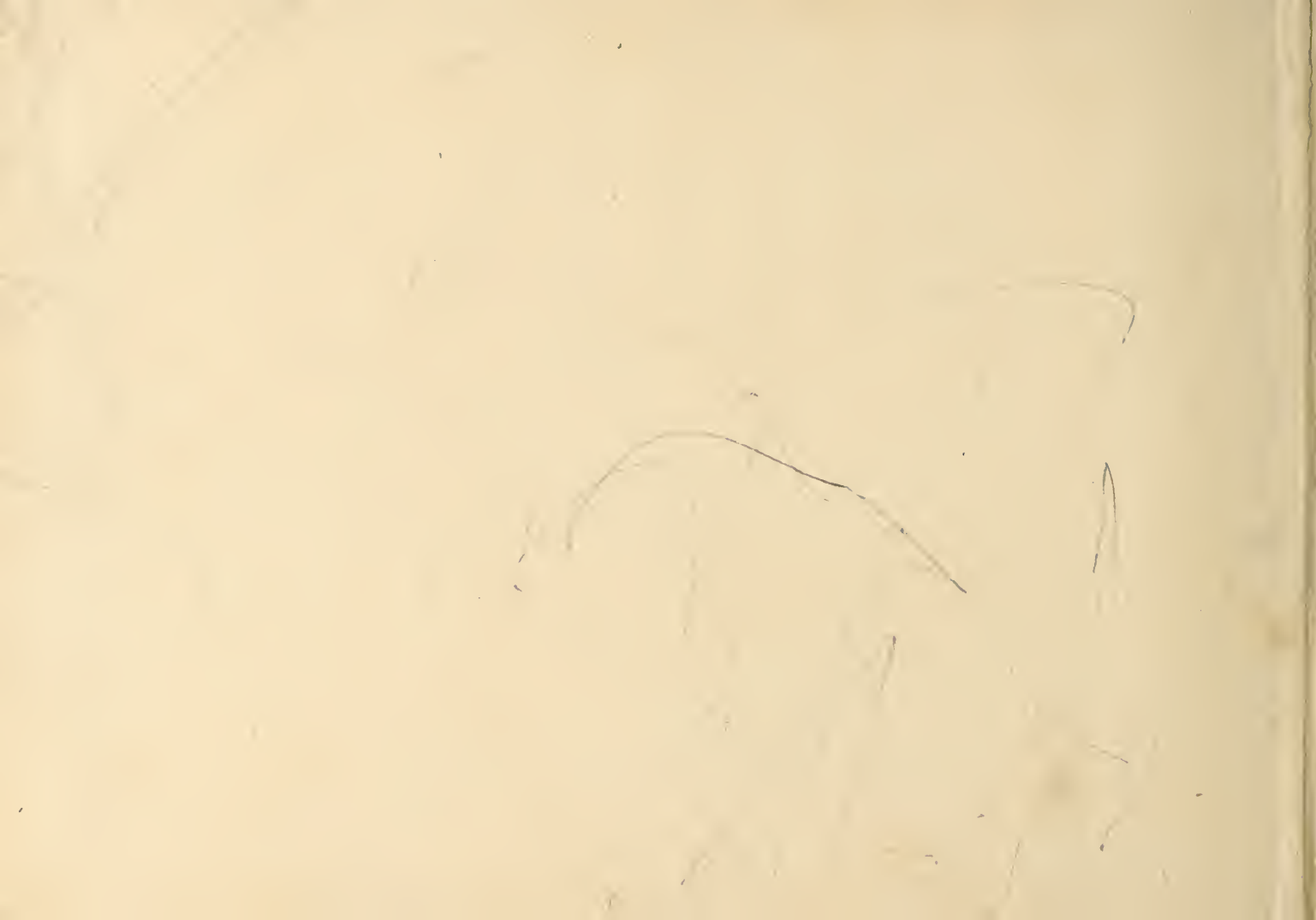
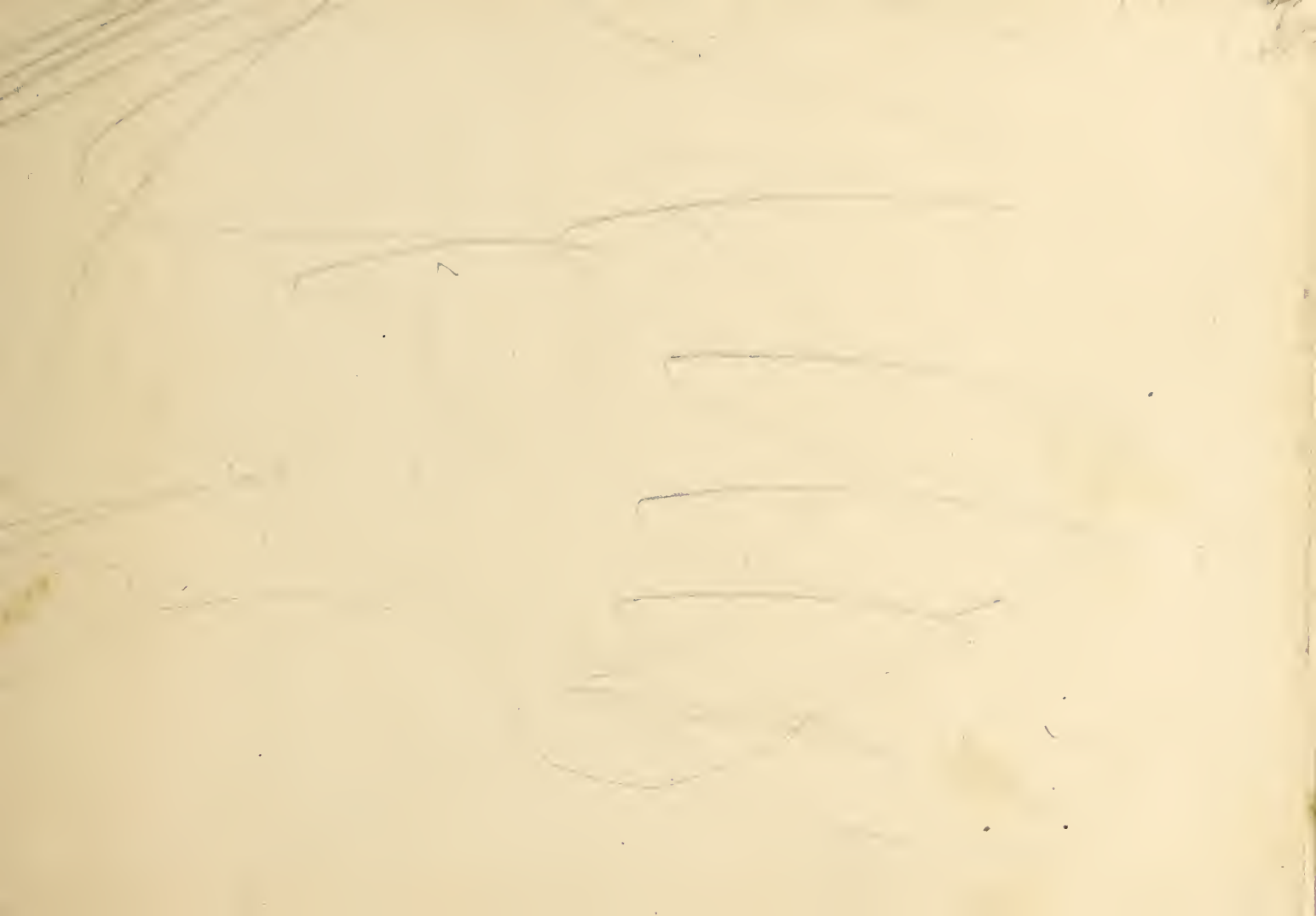


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For our Weekly Church Organs,

The Evangelical Messenger and

Der Christliche Botschafter

FOR THE YEAR 1895.



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Introduction.

We take great pleasure in presenting our EVANGELICAL ALBUM to the esteemed readers of our excellent weekly papers, the *Messenger* and the *Botschafter*. We have spared neither labor, time nor money to make this ALBUM, both as to contents and mechanical execution, as complete as it was possible to make it; and we feel confident that our Evangelical readers will be pleased with it.

We take the liberty to refer here to a few points of superiority of this album over that of last year. Instead of thirty three pictures, the number in last year's album, this year's contains seventy-four, and the number of pages is correspondingly greater. While last year's album treated exclusively of Japan, this year's takes the reader through the entire Evangelical Association. Its illustrations afford an excellent view of the past history as well as the present aspect of our Church.

The aim of this album is to increase the love and attachment of our people to their Church. It will afford the reader much pleasure to enter this picture gallery. He may also safely place the album into the hands of his friends and acquaintances. The Lord has wonderfully blessed and preserved the Evangelical Association!

It is our sincere prayer that this work of art may find a wide circulation and be a great blessing to all our readers. May God grant it in mercy! Amen.

Thomas & Mattill, Publishers.

THE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

The present structure, represented on the opposite page, is the fourth in the history of the institution, and is located in Cleveland, Ohio, as all the world knows. In 1853 the establishment was removed to Cleveland, Ohio. A site was purchased on Woodland Avenue, between Vine and Harmon streets, and a building erected costing \$8,000. At the time it was regarded a great building in the Forest City. In 1874 the present building was begun, but it was not completed until 1884. As it now stands, its front on Woodland Avenue, shown in the engraving, extends from Vine to Harmon streets, a distance of 123 feet; it is 100 feet in depth and has four stories above ground, besides one story under ground. The cost is about \$100,000. On the first floor, on the left hand corner, is the book store, the offices of the Publishers, and the press rooms are to the side of this. On the second floor are the offices of the editors of the *Evangelical Messenger*, *Das Evangelische Magazin* and *Living Epistle*, proofreaders, and of the Missionary Treasurer. On the northeast corner of the second floor is also the mailing room, where all the publications are addressed and packed. The editorial rooms front on Woodland Avenue. On the third floor are the rooms of the editors of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, and of the Episcopal Board, also the book bindery. On the fourth floor are the compositors' rooms and the electrotype foundry. On the west end of the third and fourth floors are also extensive store rooms for books.



Publishing House at Cleveland, Ohio.



Both of these buildings were located in New Berlin, Pa. They represent the day of small things in the Evangelical Association. The contrast between them and the present magnificent Publishing House, and fine architecture of various church edifices found later in this picture gallery, and representing the immediate present, enable us to measure in a tangible way the progress that has been made. The first church was built in 1816, and was 34x38 feet in size. The first Publishing House was a small, shop-like frame building, a story and a half in height, and 20x26 feet in dimensions. It was the seed corn of a great career. God's blessing has been upon it from the beginning. The first outfit was purchased in Philadelphia, by Rev. John Dreisbach, in November, 1815, at a cost of \$375.08. Now the building with its machinery, and the stock on hand, is valued at \$500,000. Solomon Miller was the first manager. He was elected by the General Conference in 1816.



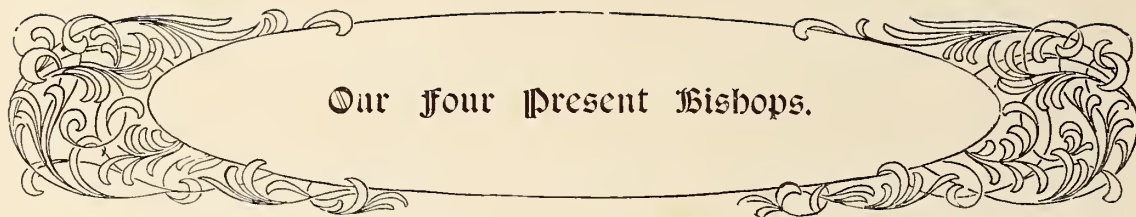
First Church and First Publishing House of the Evangelical Association.



Here are the faces of four men who in the past were honored with the episcopal office in our Church. Bishop John Seybert, the first regular Bishop under the Discipline, was elected in 1839, and served until his death in 1859. Bishop Joseph Long was first elected in 1843, and also served until his death in 1869. Bishop W. W. Orwig was elected in 1859, and served but one term. But he served in various general offices of the Church during the greater part of his life. He died full of years in 1890. Ex-Bishop Reuben Yeakel was elected to the office in 1871, and served two terms. He was the first Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, and served in other public capacities. He is still living, and is at present the official historian of the Church. Bishops in our Church are elected for four years only, but they are always eligible for re-election during life and good behavior. The office is one of great influence and responsibility, and offers opportunity for the exercise of the most brilliant talent, both in the preaching of the Word and in the administration of affairs.



Former Bishops of the Evangelical Association.

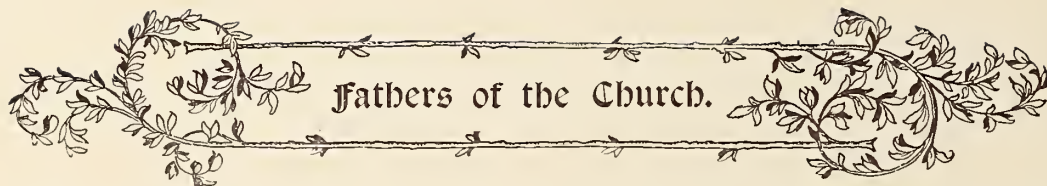


Our Four Present Bishops.

These four men scarcely need a detailed description in this album. Everybody has seen and heard them. This picture, we doubt not, will be regarded as the gem of the album, both as to artistic excellence and as to the subject matter. How much these men have been talked and written about. Look at them! Here is the benign yet determined face of our venerable Senior Bishop, J. J. Esher, who has been in this high office for 32 years. His colleague and yoke fellow in the tribulations of our Church, Bishop Thomas Bowman, looks at you with his strong, virile face from the opposite corner. Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, genial and well-balanced, looks well and in place between his two older colleagues, while Bishop Horn's features, beaming with intelligence and culture, complete this quartette of Evangelical standard-bearers, whom everybody in the Church loves and respects. For their own convenience and purposes of economy, the Bishops usually divide the Conferences into four districts, each taking one, and changing territorial districts every year. They are almost in constant demand for church dedications, camp-meetings and other special occasions.



Our Four Present Bishops.

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Fathers of the Church.

This is a most interesting group. Rev. C. Hammer was one of the pioneers of our Church—a product of the famous Orwigsburgh revival. He was for many years one of the most prominent men in the Church. He was Publishing Agent for a number of terms, having charge of the removal of the Publishing House from New Berlin, Pa., to Cleveland, Ohio, in 1853. Rev. W. F. Schneider, of the Wisconsin Conference, was one of the most successful Publishing Agents we ever had. Under his administration the present building was planned and begun. He died in 1879, shortly before General Conference. Rev. John Dreisbach was the first preacher to receive a license signed by Jacob Albright, and the first presiding elder in our Church. He also helped to found our Publishing House. He died in 1871. Father Esslinger was the *first class-leader* in Wisconsin—a venerable pioneer of our work in the great Northwest. These men were of heroic mold. Theirs was the day of small things, the day of hardships, poverty, exposure, privation and persecution. But they endured, “as seeing Him who is invisible.” They “endured hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ.” The love of Christ constrained them. They were pioneers, “path-finders,” in the best sense of the word. In searching out the sheep of the house of Israel, lost in the wilds of a new country; in founding societies and building churches; in founding the great institutions and enterprises of the Church, these men were pioneers.



Evangelical Pioneers.

A decorative horizontal border featuring symmetrical, intricate floral and scrollwork patterns. The central text is framed by these ornate designs.

Members
of the
Board of Publication.

The Board of Publication is composed of sixteen men—four Bishops, eight ministers and four laymen. The conferences in America alone are represented. For the purpose of representation, the conferences are divided into districts. Before us we have the “counterfeit presentment” of these distinguished men in the Church, including the four laymen, who have the honor of being the first laymen to serve on the Board of Publication under the new law made at the last General Conference. The clerical members, besides the Bishops, are Rev. M. Pfitzinger, of the New York; Rev. Dr. O. L. Saylor, of the East Pennsylvania; Rev. John Stull (died July 28, 1894), of the Ohio; Rev. H. Guelich, of the Atlantic; Rev. C. F. Zimmerman, of the Wisconsin; Rev. H. E. Linse, of the Minnesota; Rev. J. Wirth, of the Kansas; Rev. C. C. Pfund, of the Iowa Conference. The lay members are Hon. W. Grote, of Elgin, Ill.; L. D. Breithaupt, of Berlin, Canada; L. D. Krause, of Allentown, Pa., and J. Wolf, of Faribault, Minn. The board is the most important body in the Church, next to the General Conference. In fact, it practically represents the General Conference between the quadrennial sessions of the latter body. It is incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio, and is charged with great responsibilities in the temporal economy of the Church.



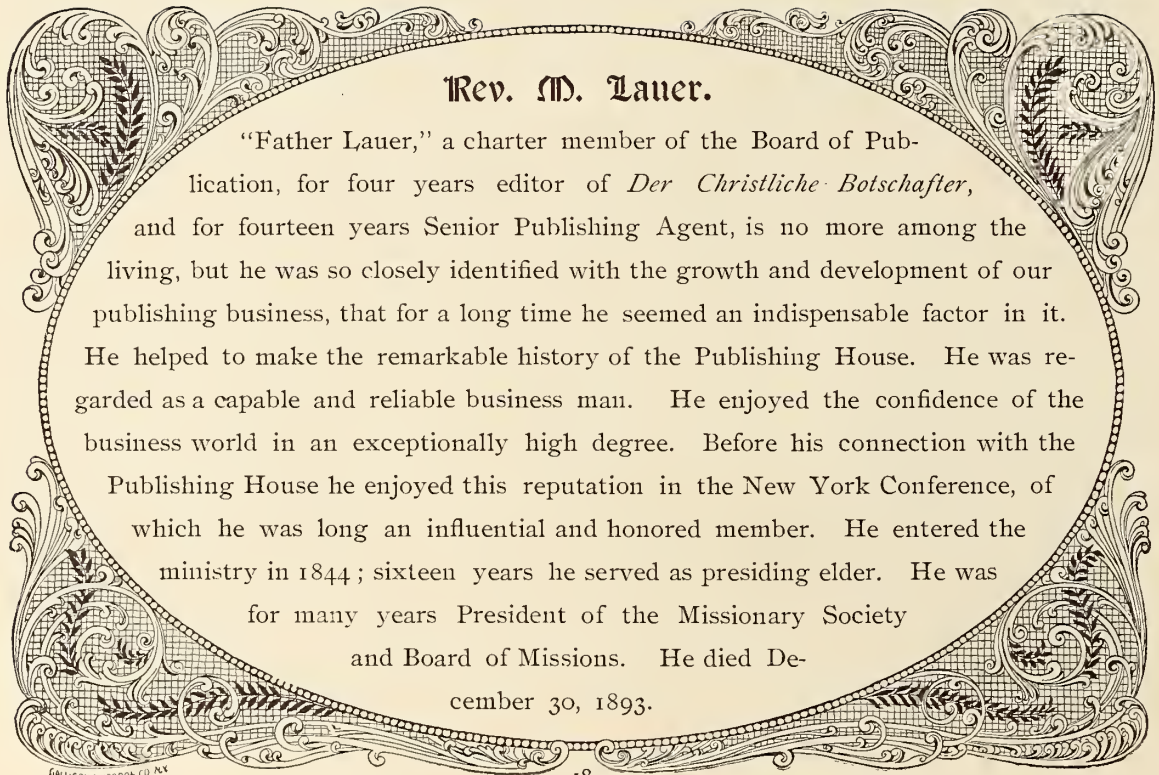
Preachers in the Board of Publication.



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Lay Members of the Board of Publication.

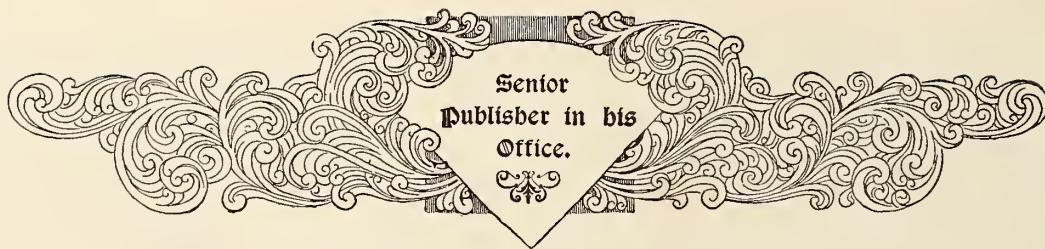


Rev. M. Lauer.

"Father Lauer," a charter member of the Board of Publication, for four years editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, and for fourteen years Senior Publishing Agent, is no more among the living, but he was so closely identified with the growth and development of our publishing business, that for a long time he seemed an indispensable factor in it. He helped to make the remarkable history of the Publishing House. He was regarded as a capable and reliable business man. He enjoyed the confidence of the business world in an exceptionally high degree. Before his connection with the Publishing House he enjoyed this reputation in the New York Conference, of which he was long an influential and honored member. He entered the ministry in 1844; sixteen years he served as presiding elder. He was for many years President of the Missionary Society and Board of Missions. He died December 30, 1893.



Rev. M. Laver.



Rev. C. A. Thomas, who was appointed by the Executive Committee of the Board of Publication to fill the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Rev. M. Lauer, is here seen at his desk. Upon his shoulders rest grave responsibilities, which he keenly realizes, as any one can see from the earnest expression of countenance. But he tackles every problem with a vim characteristic of the German Canadian, and usually accomplishes what he sets out to do. Bro. Thomas was a member and presiding elder of the Canada Conference, until in 1879 he was elected editor of *Das Evangelische Magazin* and *German Sunday-School Literature*. He was re-elected to the same position at every General Conference since. His department, especially the *Magazin*, has enjoyed exceptional prosperity under his editorship. For the present, however, he is doing the work of the Senior Publisher. He is about fifty years of age. The position which he now occupies calls for executive and administrative talent of a high order. It requires practical knowledge of the business world. Great decision of character is necessary. The Senior Publisher is also an ex-officio member of the General Conference.



Rev. C. A. Thomas, Acting Publishing Agent.



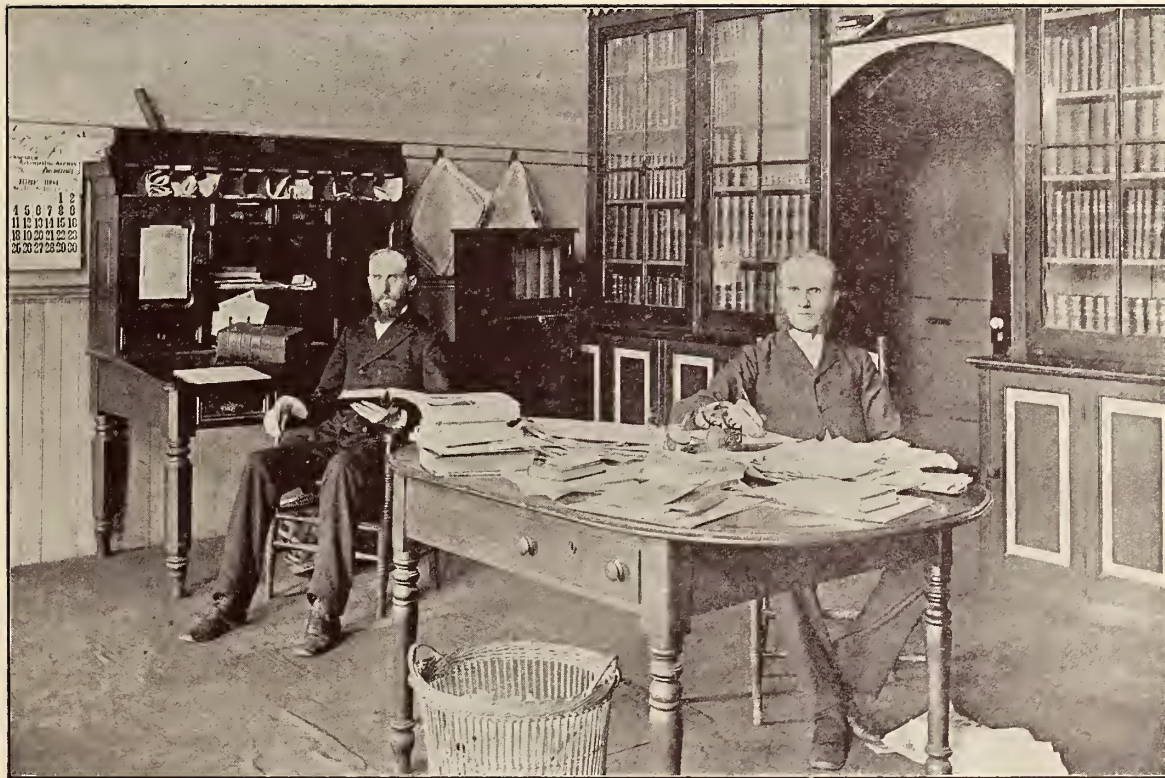
Rev. H. Mattill, who is serving his second term as Junior Publishing Agent, occupies a desk of his own on the opposite side of the same room in which the Senior does his work. Each has a distinct portion of the work to do, and the manifold business interests of the Publishing House keep the two men busy all the time. Bro. Mattill does his share of the work with energy. He is a native of Indiana, and grew up in the broad, generous West. He was a prominent and influential member of the Kansas Conference, and a presiding elder in that body, when the General Conference at Buffalo, in 1887, chose him for his present position as Junior Publishing Agent. He was re-elected by the General Conference at Indianapolis in 1891. He is a man in middle life, physically strong and mentally and temperamentally active. Our camera found him at work at his mail. In fact, the task of opening, reading and sorting the daily mail in a house doing business with thousands of agents, and in numerous lines of work, is no small matter, requiring hours of time daily. It is likely the letter he is perusing contained interesting news, and perhaps brought a handsome check, always a welcome occurrence to the Publishers.



Rev. H. Mattill, Junior Publishing Agent.

The
Evangelical
Messenger.

Here you have a view of the editorial sanctum of the *Evangelical Messenger*. The editor, S. P. Spreng, looks straight at you from behind his table in the center of the room. S. J. Gamertsfelder, his assistant, sits to the editor's right by a writing desk. Behind them is a good view of the library, where they arm themselves with facts and figures. The waste basket in front is not quite full, and is just waiting for a few more rejected articles. Both editors are members of the Ohio Conference. The editor-in-chief entered the conference in 1876, and the assistant in 1878. They took charge of the English organ of the Church in 1887, and, if they live, they will continue to do so until October of this year. They both occupy the same room on the second floor, facing Woodland Avenue. The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh windows of the building from left to right let the light into the room. Few people have an idea of the work required to edit a paper like the *Evangelical Messenger*. First, there are about one hundred exchanges to examine every week. Many people find enough to do to read *one* paper; the editors read quite as carefully a hundred of them, besides a dozen of monthly magazines, and many books which are sent for review. Then there is manuscript to select and correct, for *very few* writers, even for the press, write without errors. The correspondence of the editor is voluminous and exacting.



Rev. S. J. Gamertsfelder,
Assistant Editor EVANGELICAL MESSENGER.

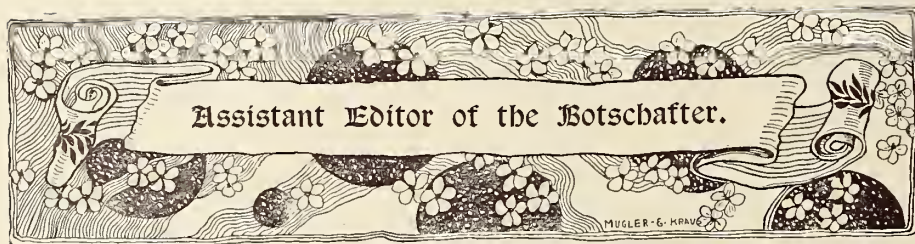
Rev. S. P. Spreng,
Editor EVANGELICAL MESSENGER.



The scene opposite represents the editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, Rev. G. Heinmiller, in his editorial sanctum. Here the oldest, largest and most widely circulated German religious weekly in the United States is edited. The present editor was elected at the last General Conference to succeed Rev. W. Horn, who was elevated to the episcopacy. At the moment when the picture was taken the editor was evidently in the act of examining the manuscript of one of his contributors, with a view to ascertaining its fitness for the somewhat exacting columns of the paper. In front of him is seen the famous waste basket, which is an important article of furniture in every good editorial room, an article dreaded by correspondents, as its capacious maw may at any time swallow the fruit of their ambitious pens. Bro. Heinmiller is American born, but at the time of his election as editor of the *Botschafter*, he was in Europe, as teacher in the Seminary at Reutlingen. The room he occupies is in the left-hand corner in the third story of the building.



Rev. G. Heinmiller, Editor "Christliche Botschafter."



The name of the brother who occupies this important position is Rev. G. Berstecher, who was chosen by the present editor to assist in editing the German organ of our Church. Bro. Berstecher is a practical printer, being a compositor by trade. This is of great value to him now. For a number of years he preached the Gospel, first in the Indiana, and then in the Erie Conference, until selected for his present work. His position is a laborious one. The paper being German, much translating has to be done, of necessity. This requires much labor. Bro. Berstecher's room adjoins that of his chief, and fronts on Vine street. The work of the assistant editor of the *Botschafter* is to correct copy, especially for the departments *Arbeitsfelder* and *Todesanzeigen*, occasionally to translate such as may be submitted in English, to prepare the weekly news summary, to write editorials, read proofs and revises, etc. It requires close attention to business, an exact practical knowledge of grammar, orthography, punctuation and other principles of language to be an assistant editor, as much of the work is of a clerical nature.



Rev. G. Berstecher, Assistant Editor "Christliche Botschafter."

The title "The Living Epistle." is centered within a decorative, horizontally-oriented scroll. The scroll has a textured, shaded appearance and is capped at both ends with ornate, symmetrical flourishes that resemble stylized keys or architectural elements.

The Living Epistle.

The counterfeit presentment of Rev. J. C. Hornberger, editor of *The Living Epistle* and *English Sunday-School Literature*, looks at you from the opposite page. The table, loaded with books and papers, the wall in the rear hung with exchanges, indicates at once the workshop of an editor. Bro. Hornberger is serving his second term as editor of the only official holiness magazine in the world. His picture shows us a man in middle life, with a portly form, slightly baldheaded, in the act of dashing from his fountain pen an able editorial leader for his magazine. It is quite a formidable list of periodicals which Bro. Hornberger has to oversee besides *The Living Epistle*, which is a monthly holiness magazine of 32 quarto pages. There is the monthly *Sunday-School Teacher*, the *Sunday-School Messenger*, weekly, semi-monthly and monthly, the *Lesson Leaf* and *Quarterly*, *My Lesson* and the *Blackboard*. His room is on the second floor, just to the right of the *Evangelical Messenger*, and also fronts on Woodland Avenue. There he sits, not "dead," but alive, "among his books" and exchanges. The varied duties of this position require a more than ordinary range of adaptability. In the *Epistle* the editor may be grave, serious, even ponderous at times, while in the Sunday-school literature he must adapt himself to the "lighter vein" which will please, instruct and edify the little folks. But it affords a rare privilege on the one hand to lead believers into the experience of full salvation, and on the other to instruct the children in the way of life.



Rev. J. C. Hornberger, Editor "Living Epistle," Etc.



This room is on the left-hand corner of the building on the second floor, in which *Das Evangelische Magazin* and *German Sunday-School Literature* are edited. The present acting editor is Bishop William Horn, who is seen sitting at his desk in the room just as you are likely to find him any day if you visit the room. He has just finished an article for the *Magazin*, which he is about to hand to the "printer's devil." Bishop Horn is a born editor, who feels himself perfectly at home on the tripod which he so long filled with conspicuous ability. He is thoroughly acquainted with the best German literature, and is a poet and hymn writer, whose poetic effusions are known far and wide. His genius in this particular is recognized in literary circles everywhere. Nor is he unfamiliar with the English language. In fact, as a translator of English into German, he is a phenomenon, doing it with facility and grace. At present he has editorial charge of *Das Evangelische Magazin* and the entire complement of *German Sunday-School Literature*, supplying the place of Editor Thomas, who was recently appointed as Publisher.



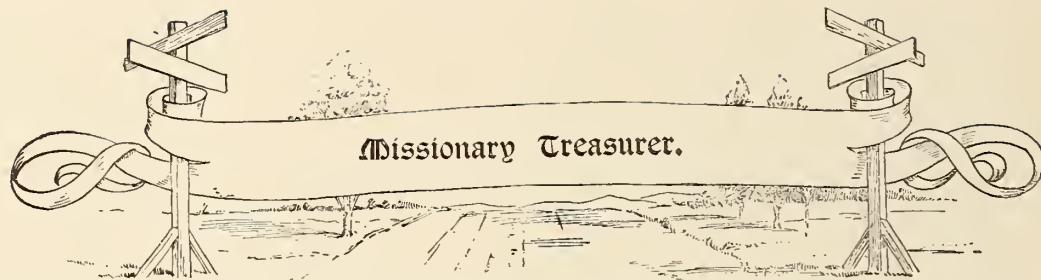
Bishop W. Horn, Temporary Editor "Das Evangelische Magazin."



This is Rev. R. Mott, who helps to edit *Das Evangelische Magazin* and *German Sunday-School Literature*. He has had much experience in this kind of work, having formerly been assistant to the editor of the *Botschafter*. He wields a facile pen in German, and is at home in German literature. He is what the Germans call *gemuetlich*. The taking of the picture seems to have interrupted him in the act of correcting a manuscript; but the expression on his face awakens suspicion that he has been caught in the act of either perpetrating one of his *Hinterstuebchen* jokes, or concocting a puzzle for the *Kinderfreund*. The room where he sits is the old library, full of old-time books and precious relics. It is on the second story facing west. He is a member of the Erie Conference. The work of the assistant to the editor of the *Magazin* is largely routine. It requires close application and an extensive acquaintance with the German literature both at home and abroad. Bro. Mott had the advantage of early training, it having been designed that he should enter the priesthood of the Catholic Church. But Protestant missionaries rescued him from so sad a fate, and brought him into a better sphere of usefulness.



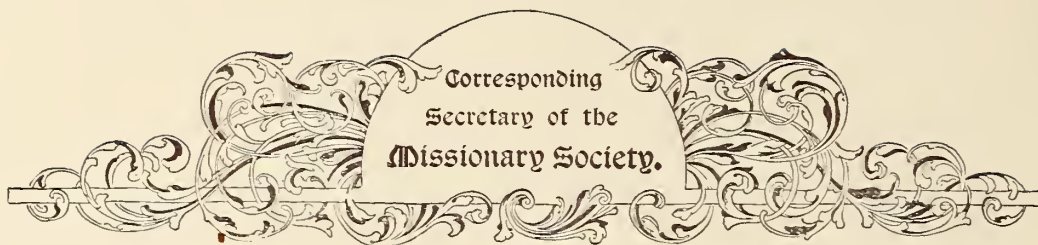
Rev. R. Mott, Assistant Editor "Das Evangelische Magazin."



Everybody knows Rev. W. Yost, the trusted Treasurer of our Missionary Society, and for many years its corresponding secretary. For eight years he was also Junior Publishing Agent. Bro. Yost has grown gray in the general service of the Church, as his picture shows. He is at home in figures, and is known as an expert accountant. Many hundred thousand dollars have passed through his hands, and, although experts, with even hostile intent, have been sent to examine his books, never a cent has been found misapplied or missing. He can look the world in the face so far as that is concerned, feeling secure in his integrity, and conscious of having served the Church faithfully and efficiently wherever she has placed him. Bro. Yost is a native of Pennsylvania, and was a successful pastor in the East Pennsylvania Conference when called to a general position in the Church. At present he is not only Treasurer of the Missionary Society, but also of the Ebenezer Orphan Home. Besides this, he is the General Statistical Secretary of the Church. To judge from the cheerful expression of his countenance, he has just received some very good news—a handsome bequest, perhaps, or other large gift for the Missionary Society or Orphan Home. That always makes him happy.



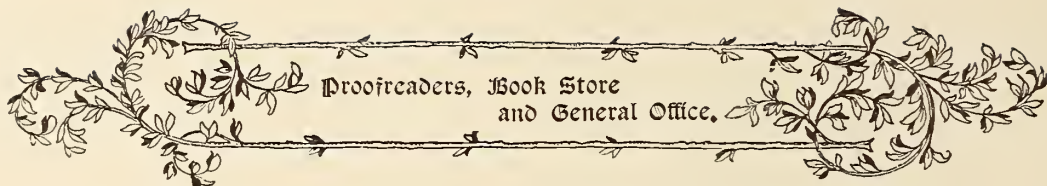
Rev. W. Yost, Treasurer Missionary Society.



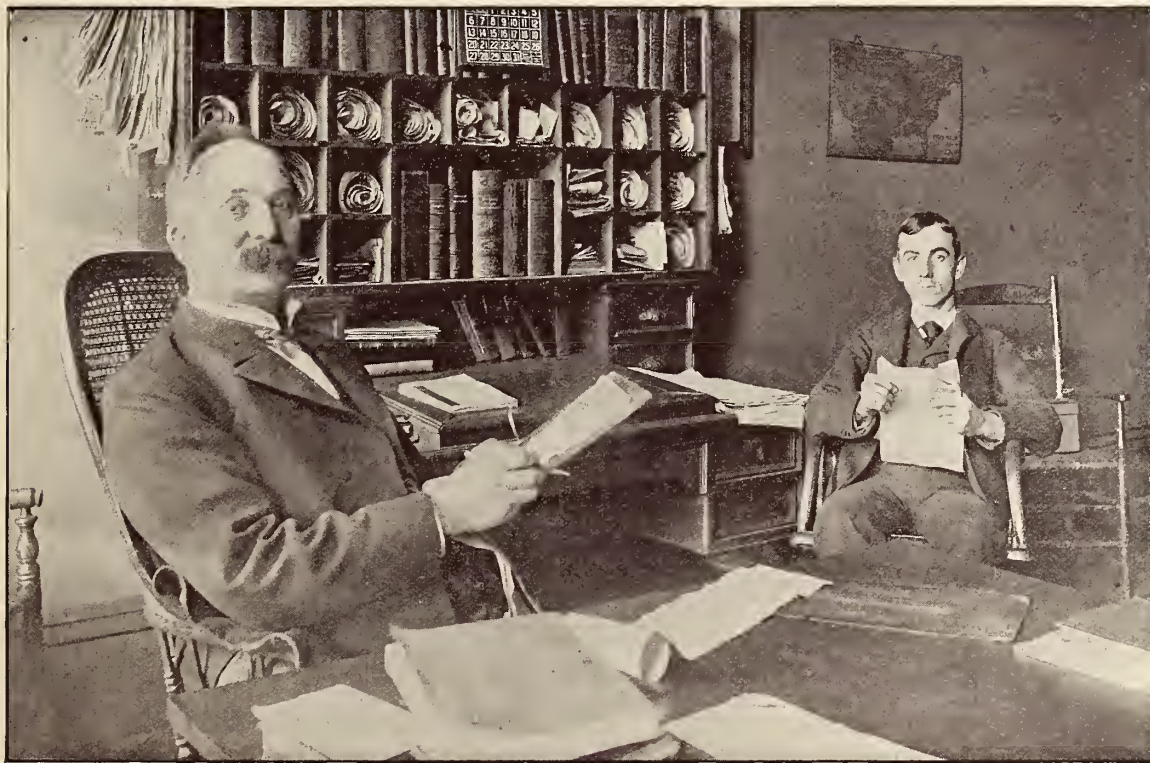
Rev. T. C. Meckel is the most youthful incumbent ever filling this important position. His predecessors were all older men. But he has grappled with the duties of his office with characteristic zeal and ability. It is, no doubt, the most laborious office in the Church as now conducted, but it is indispensable to the successful management of our missionary finances. The Corresponding Secretary is the virtual head of our missionary management at home. He is required to be almost constantly in the field collecting missionary funds. Bro. Meckel was for years employed at the Publishing House as assistant proofreader. Then he entered the ministry, and preached several years in the Erie Conference, after which he served four years as assistant editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, until, upon the resignation of Rev. W. Bucks, as Corresponding Secretary, in 1891, he was chosen by the Bishops for this position. The reason he is not shown like the rest at his desk in the mission room, is because he was absent from home at the time when the picture was required. It is difficult, in fact, to catch him at home. He is always "on the wing." He is also one of the editors of the *Missionary Messenger*, and does even most of this work "on the wing."



Rev. T. C. Meckel, Corresponding Secretary Missionary Society.



Among the most important adjuncts of the Publishing House, though not in the least prominent or obtrusive, are the proofreaders. Their absence would be noticed much sooner than their presence. This is simply because their business is to find and correct the mistakes of the printers or typesetters. The Publishing House is fortunate in having, in the person of Rev. D. Ewald, the chief of this department, a capable and accurate proofreader, who is competent to "find faults" in both German and English with equal facility. His benign and thoughtful face, looking at you from the opposite page, with his simple tools in his hands, is indicative of the man. He has been in this position for a quarter of a century, and has done faithful service to the "inglorious Miltons" who sought fame in literature. He is ably supported by his wide-awake helper, Bro. Henry Knippel, who sits before you with a MS. in his hands. He is an adept at deciphering the chirography of great men. Following the proofreaders, we have good views of the book store and general office, with the respective clerks, salesmen and bookkeepers. Bro. I. Y. Moyer has charge of the book store. He is thoroughly at home in the book trade. Bro. P. Berkes is bookkeeper, with E. W. Horn as assistant, and Miss Mamie Hornberger as stenographer.



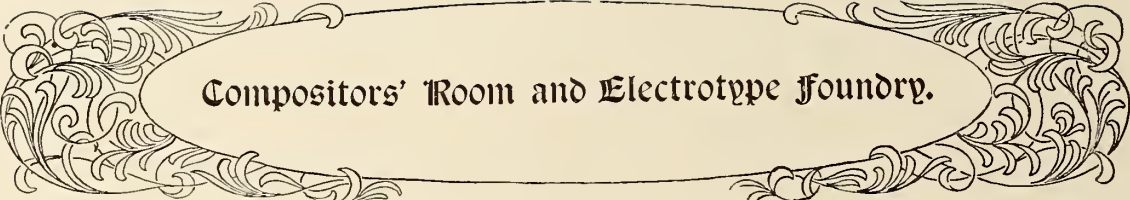
The Proofreaders—Rev. D. Ewald and H. Knippel.



The General Office.



The Book Store.

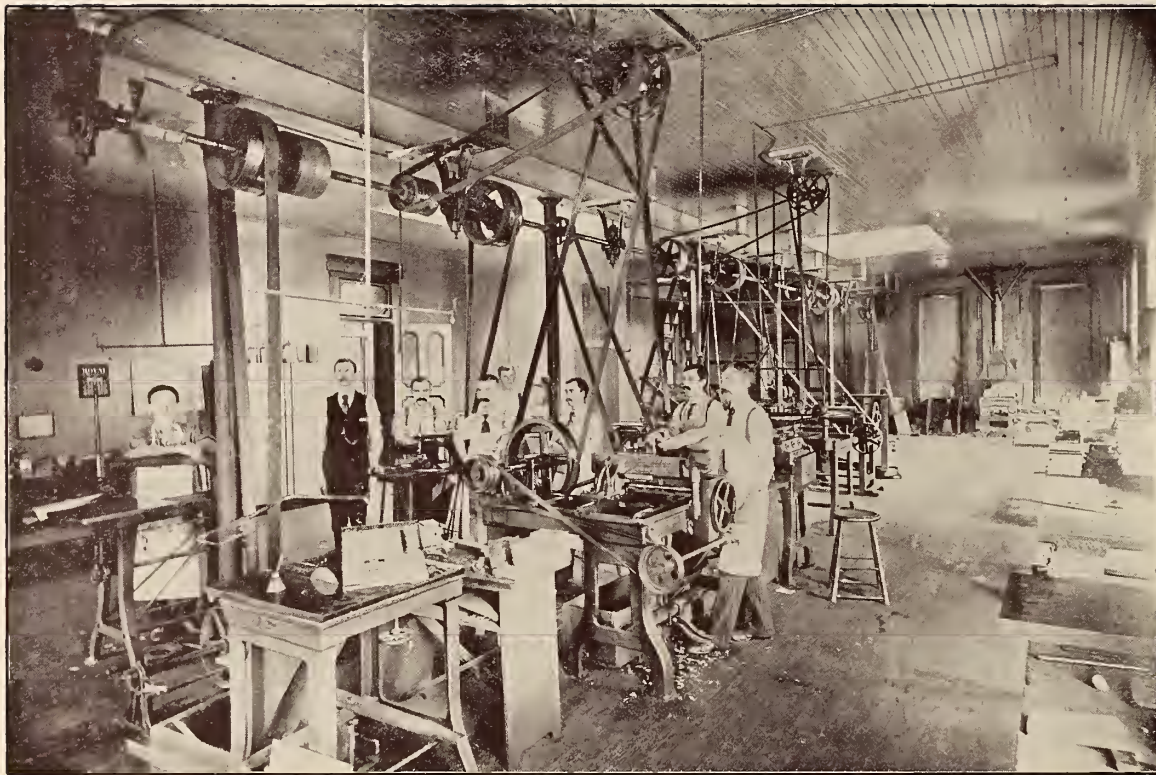


Compositors' Room and Electrotpe Foundry.

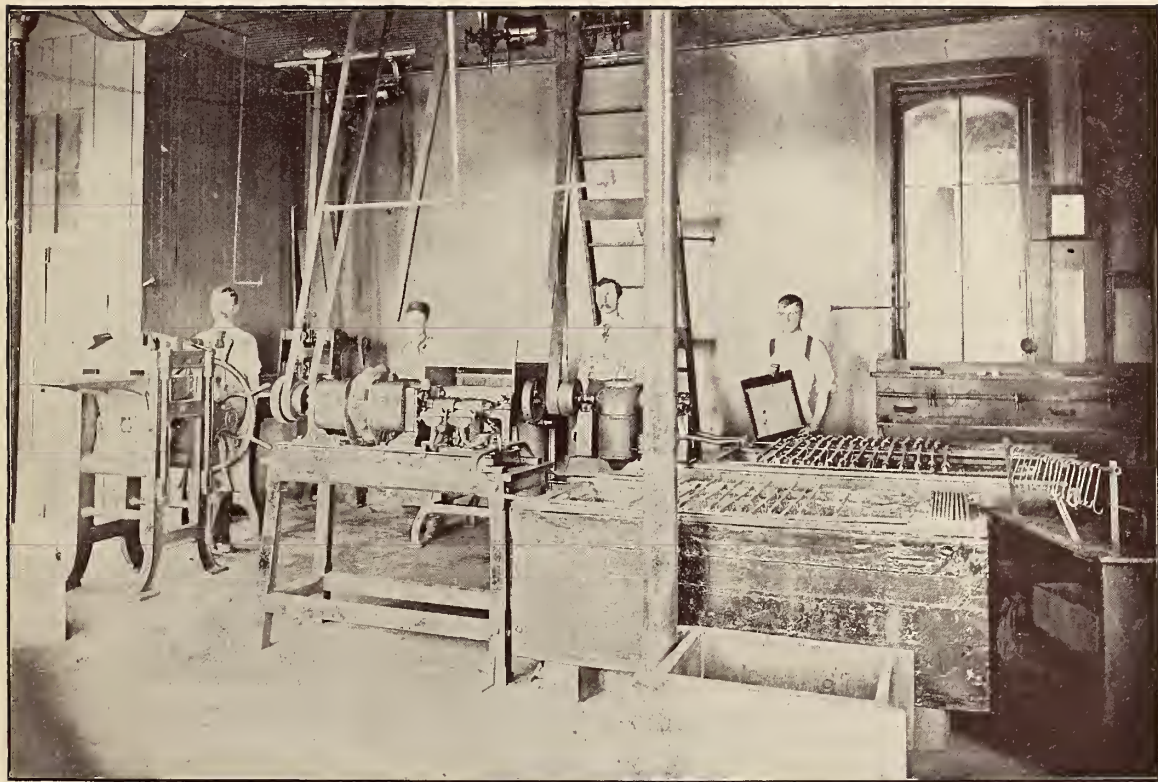
From the hands of the editors, the copy goes to the compositors, whose workroom is represented on the opposite page. This is a large, light, airy room on the fourth floor, and is in charge of Henry Koch, a staunch Evangelical Canadian. He stands in the foreground in his working suit, with his sleeves rolled up. Under his command are twenty-four men and three "kids." These ordinarily set up all the type in the periodical and job departments. It requires four men to "set up" the *Messenger*, and four for the *Botschafter*; three are at present setting music. In this room is also the first press used in New Berlin, Pa., in printing the first paper in our Church. It is still used in printing the mailing lists, which are prepared here and kept in type. From this room the type passes to the electrotpe foundry on the same floor. This is one of the most commodious foundries for electrotyping to be found anywhere. Here the electric current is used in an ingenious way to transfer type to metal plates, from which all our papers and books are printed, instead of printing directly from the type. Eight persons are employed here. Not only are the *Messenger*, *Botschafter*, *Epistle*, *Magazin*, Sunday-school periodicals and books electrotyped here, but also *The Ohio Farmer*, the *Union Gospel News*, etc., besides a large amount of music and other job work for parties all over the country. Bro. C. H. Gehlke, the efficient foreman of this department, stands second from the left in picture on page 46.



The Compositors' Room.



The Electrotypers' Room.



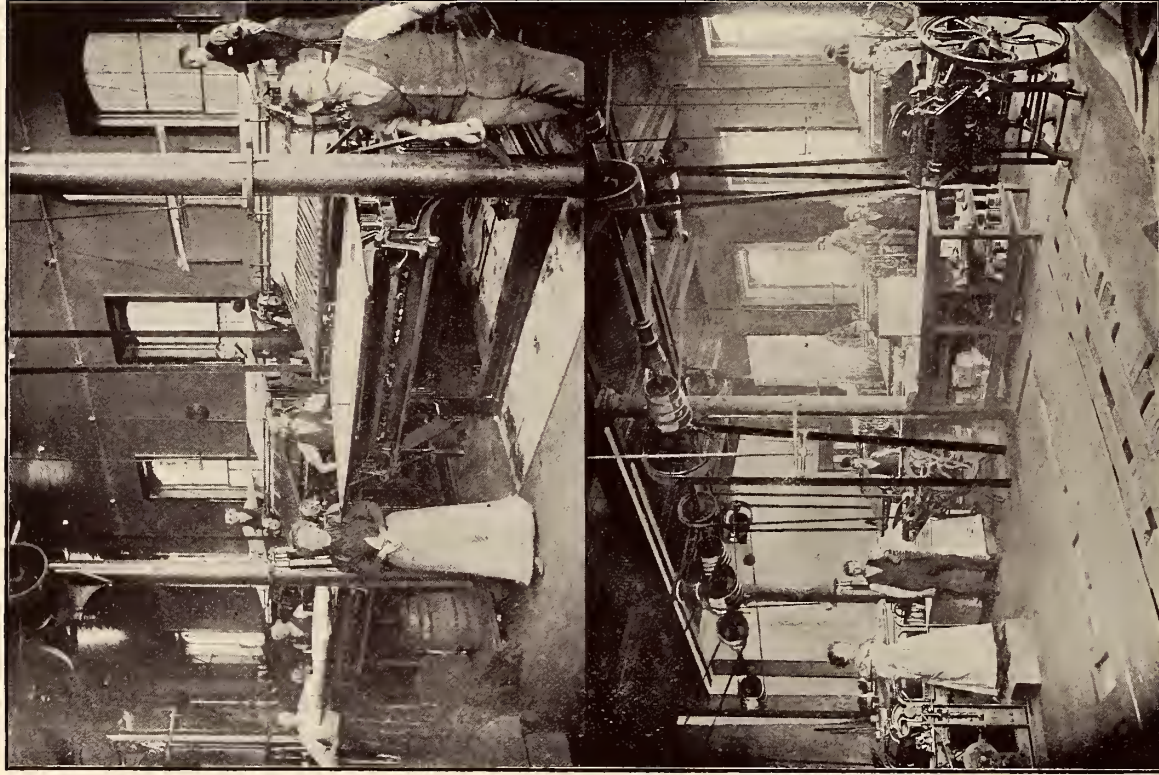
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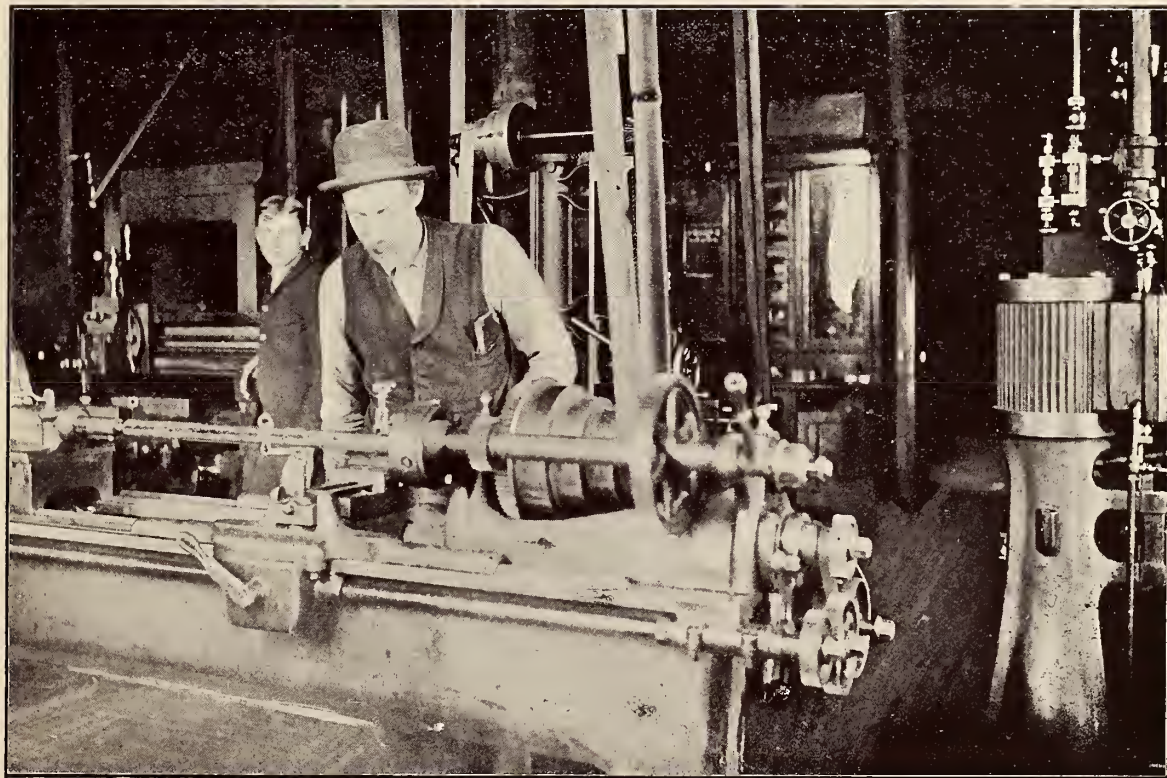
Here our readers have a view of the new perfecting press, on which we print the weekly papers. It is the first machine of this pattern ever constructed, and was built by the Campbell Company, of New York. It is regarded as a wonderful machine. Besides this great machine, fourteen presses, large and small, are constantly at work in the two large rooms. These presses are capable of turning out an immense amount of work, so that the work sent through the mails from them costs about \$12,000 postage per annum at second-class and book rates, besides what is shipped by express. One of the large presses alone can make 8,500 impressions per day. They work with such ease and precision that the number of employes in this department is reduced to a minimum—one person to each machine. But the machines represent many thousands of dollars invested. The department is in charge of Wm. Schnerer, a pressman "to the manor born," and trained in all the secrets of the trade. The third view in the group gives us a glimpse of the engineer, Mr. Eddy, in his workshop. He has charge of all the machinery in the building. It is his business to make the necessary repairs, not only on the engine, but upon the machinery in general. He is kept constantly busy by his manifold duties, which require his attention daily.



The New Press.



The Press Rooms.



The Engineer's Work Room.



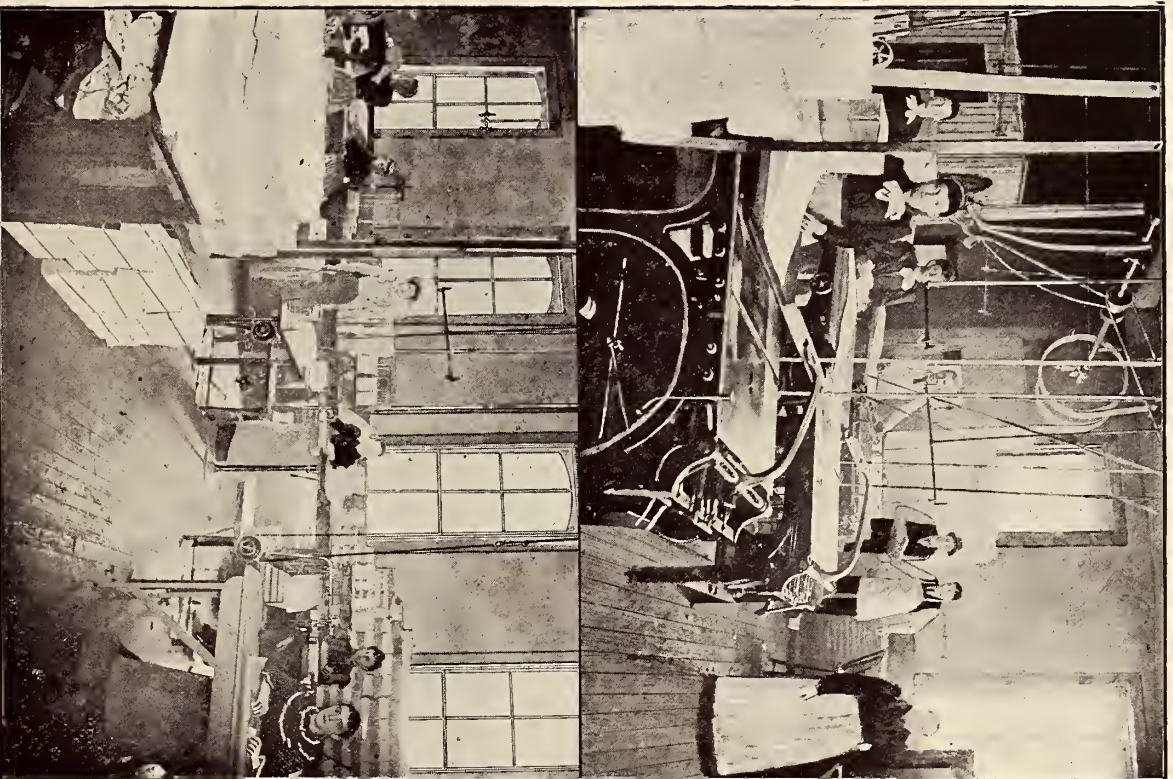
Here we have a view of the mailing room, in the rear of the building, on the second floor. Five persons are employed here, under the supervision of Louis Vogt, who in the picture stands to the left in the rear, with the stamping apparatus in his hand. In front of him stands the folder, which, when it is in good order, can fold 15,000 MESSENGERS in a day. They then wander into Uncle Sam's mail bags, and are taken to the postoffice. The book bindery, in charge of Louis Heil, occupies the eastern portion of the third story, and is the largest in the State. Twenty males and eighteen females are constantly employed. The department is equipped with all the machinery necessary. There is a whole series of book and magazine folders, two ingenious sewing machines, each of which can sew 1,200 books a day. Then there is a gathering machine, the invention of the Junior Publisher, H. Mattill, which saves labor and facilitates the gathering of the parts of a book. Then there are hydraulic presses, embossing, trimming, stamping and gilding machines—also a wonderful paging machine. The capacity of the bindery is 1,200 books of ordinary binding per day.



The Mailing Room.



The Book Binders.



The Book Bindery.



The artist has given us three excellent views of this beautiful building and its inmates. As will be seen, the style of architecture is plain and massive. It is built of a yellowish gray limestone procured from the Naperville quarries near by. It is not quite complete, according to the architects' plans, requiring the addition of another wing to the left of the central tower. When completed it will present a truly stately appearance, well suited to its classic purpose. The building stands in the center of a lovely campus, a fine green lawn sloping from it in all directions. The second picture speaks for itself. A group of as magnificent young people as can be gathered anywhere, are here caught with one glance of the camera. What a future awaits many of these young people! They will wield an immense influence in the Church and in the world if they are faithful to their opportunities and privileges now and hereafter. The third picture gives us a view of the students gathered in the chapel for daily prayers. President Kiekhoefer is in the act of addressing them from that historic platform. The ladies are in the foreground. These daily religious devotions are a feature of North-Western College life. Attendance at these services is required of all, and indeed delighted in by all, as a rule. These services help to give Christian tone to the day's work and serve to unify the various departments of the school.



North-Western College.



Students of North-Western College.



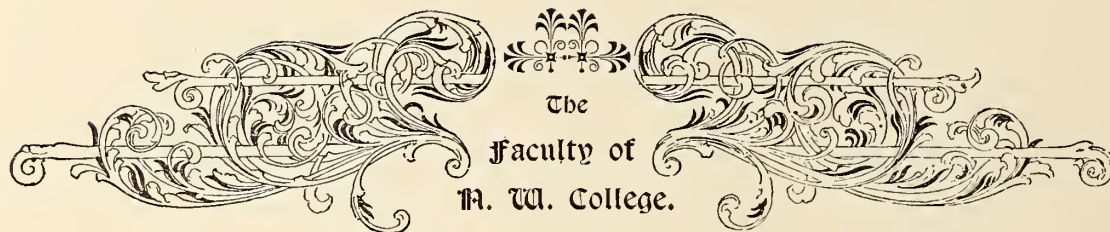
Students of North-Western College in the Chapel.



Professor H. J. Kiekhoefer, A. M., President of North-Western College, and Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy ; the late Prof. A. A. Smith, A. M., the first President of the College, and later President *emeritus* ; Rev. S. L. Umbach, Professor of Systematic and Practical Theology, in Union Biblical Institute ; Rev. J. Lerch, Treasurer, and until recently Financial Agent of the College and Institute. Good men are they all, and true. The late President Smith especially exerted a vast influence in the Church through the many students whom he trained. He was a graduate of Oberlin College, and thoroughly equipped for the work of his profession. He was a grand teacher. He was President of the College from its beginning in Plainfield, Ill., until within a few years of his death. He was famous as an elocutionist, and taught many an ambitious orator the principles of oratory. His memory will be cherished far and wide, and his life history is indissolubly connected with the history of North-Western College. President Kiekhoefer is a worthy successor to this grand old man. Professor Umbach has a delicate and important task in the training of the future preachers of our Church. Rev. J. Lerch has for many years managed the finances of the institution with fidelity and care. His successor as financial agent is Rev. J. H. Yaggy, of the Des Moines Conference.



The Faculty of Union Biblical Institute.



The Faculty consists of thirteen gentlemen and ladies, besides President Kiekhoefer and Prof. Umbach, already named. They constitute a happy combination of talent. To them are entrusted a most important task, and well have they thus far done their work, one and all. Our people everywhere will be glad to see the faces of these teachers to whom they are urged to commit their precious sons and daughters for intellectual and moral training. They are: F. W. Heidner, A. M., B. D., Professor of the German Language and Literature; H. C. Smith, A. M., Professor of the Latin Language and Literature; G. W. Sindlinger, A. M., Professor of the Greek Language and Literature; Mrs. N. C. Knickerbocker, A. M., Preceptress in English Literature; Miss Mary S. Bucks, L. E. L., Teacher of English Grammar and American History; Professor A. C. Gegenheimer, Teacher of Commercial Studies; H. F. Kletzing, A. M., Professor of Mathematics; L. M. Umbach, A. M., Professor of Natural Science. J. L. Nichols, Principal of the Commercial College; Miss Fanny E. and Miss Mattie E. Smith, Teachers of Music; Miss Ella E. Drake, Teacher of the Fine Arts, and Prof. W. W. Carnes, Teacher of Elocution.



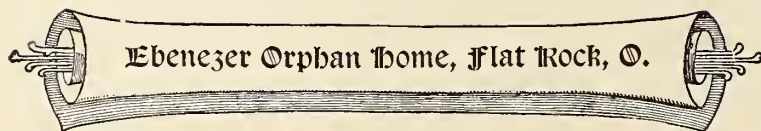
The Faculty of North-Western College.



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Ebenezer Orphan Home, Flat Rock, O.

This institution was founded by the Ohio Conference, and first located at Tiffin, Ohio. In 1867 it was removed to Flat Rock, Ohio. Here suitable grounds were purchased and a commodious building erected, to which additions were made, until under the superintendency of D. Strawman, from 1883 to 1887, the building took its present shape and size. In 1871 the institution passed into the hands of General Conference. Rev. J. G. Zinser was its first superintendent. Next in order came Revs. Charles Hammer, J. E. Dreisbach, E. Kohr, A. C. Stull, D. Strawman and C. K. Fehr. The present superintendent is V. Braun. Here we have a view of the children of our Orphan Home, grouped in front of the building. Father Braun, the superintendent, is seen in the background to your right. Near him on his right is Mother Braun, the matron. Around them are grouped the teachers and employes of the Home, with the 140 wards of the Church, who are now housed, fed, clothed, trained and educated in this blessed institution. What a lovely picture is the last of the three! But the beauty of it is that it truthfully represents the reality. Such a scene may be witnessed any evening at bed-time when the "little tots" of the Orphan Home are ready for bed. Clad in their night robes, they kneel around the sister who has them in charge, and solemnly repeat their sweet and solemn evening prayer to their Father in heaven. As you look at the picture you can almost hear them saying, "Now I lay me down to sleep," etc., and involuntarily you exclaim from your very heart, "God bless the dear little ones!"



Ebenezer Orphan Home, Flat Rock, Ohio.



The Happy Orphan Family.



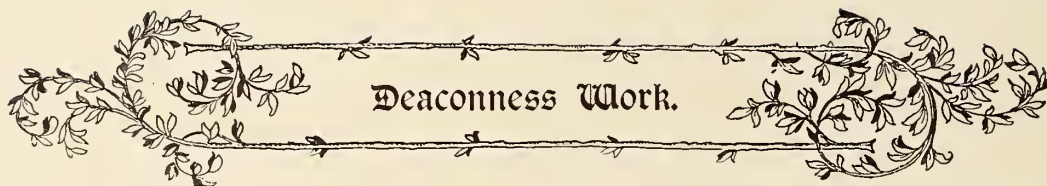
"Our Father in Heaven."



In the suburbs of the "City of Brotherly Love," just opposite the beautiful "Hunting Park," stands the Home for the Aged of the Evangelical Association. The picture opposite gives us an excellent, though somewhat near view of the commodious building which has been purchased and fitted up for these aged people. It stands in a lovely garden of lawn and flowers and trees, away from the noise and bustle of the city, a cool and quiet retreat just suited to the needs of those for whom it is intended. Twenty inmates are at present sheltered there. The matron is Rosina Herdle. The President of the Board of Directors is Mary M. Schmitt. On Sundays the pastors of our churches in the city take their turn at preaching to these aged pilgrims, waiting for the chariot of the King.



Home for the Aged, Philadelphia, Pa.

A decorative horizontal border with a central rectangular frame. The frame is filled with a repeating pattern of small, stylized leaves and branches. The text "Deaconness Work." is centered within this frame in a serif font.

Deaconness Work.

In 1886 several of our preachers in Essen, Germany, founded the Bethesda Society, with headquarters at Elberfeld. The work was begun the same year, with a working force of two sisters. To-day there are 90 sisters, including apprentices, engaged in the blessed work of nursing the sick as a means of leading them to Christ. Two years ago a branch was created for Alsace and Switzerland, with about 20 deaconesses. The hospital at Elberfeld, a view of which is herewith given, is used both as a hospital and nurses' training school. It was opened about four years ago, and can accommodate about 35 guests. Besides, the society has stations in Berlin, Hamburg and Dresden. Soon it is hoped to have similar stations at Stuttgart and Magdeburg. Strassburg is the center of the work for Alsace and Switzerland. By means of this work much good has been done. During the cholera epidemic several years ago, ten of our Evangelical deaconesses distinguished themselves by their heroic work in Hamburg. This work should also be undertaken by us in this country. Let the devotion of our European brethren and sisters stimulate us to like endeavor.



Bethesda Hospital in Elberfeld, Germany.

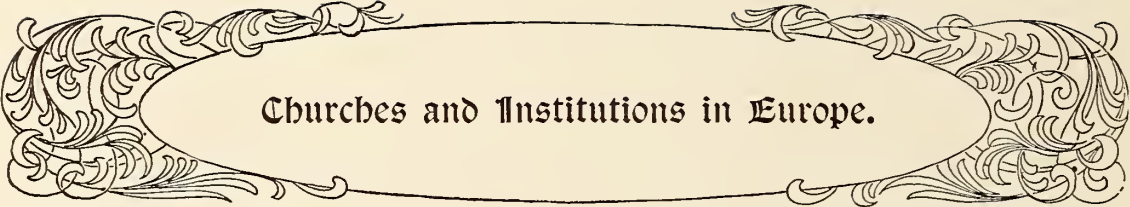
Our
European Officials.

Rev. John Walz and Rev. Gottlieb Fuessle are our two General Conference officers in Europe, the former being the Publishing Agent, and the latter the editor of the periodicals. Both brethren have been intimately connected with our European work for many years. Bro. Walz, however, is there as a missionary from America, while Bro. Fuessle is a native product of our labors in the Fatherland. Bro. Walz, who recently celebrated his 70th birthday, and also the 25th anniversary of his service as the successful manager of our European Publishing House, was sent to Europe in 1864, where he has, accordingly, labored now for more than thirty years. He was one of the original seven who, with Bishop Esher, formed the Germany Conference at its organization in 1865. Bro. Fuessle was born in 1839, and the first preacher to be licensed in Europe. He has been editor of our weekly European periodicals for years. These periodicals are: *Der Evangelische Botschafter*—an exact translation of “Evangelical Messenger,” and *Evangelischer Kinderfreund*. He is also distinguished as a poet and hymnlist. He, too, was present at the organization of the Germany Conference in 1865. Then there were seven preachers, all told. At the recent sessions (1894) of the two European conferences—Germany and Switzerland—there were 94 preachers appointed to charges.



Rev. John Walz.

Rev. Gottlieb Fuessle,

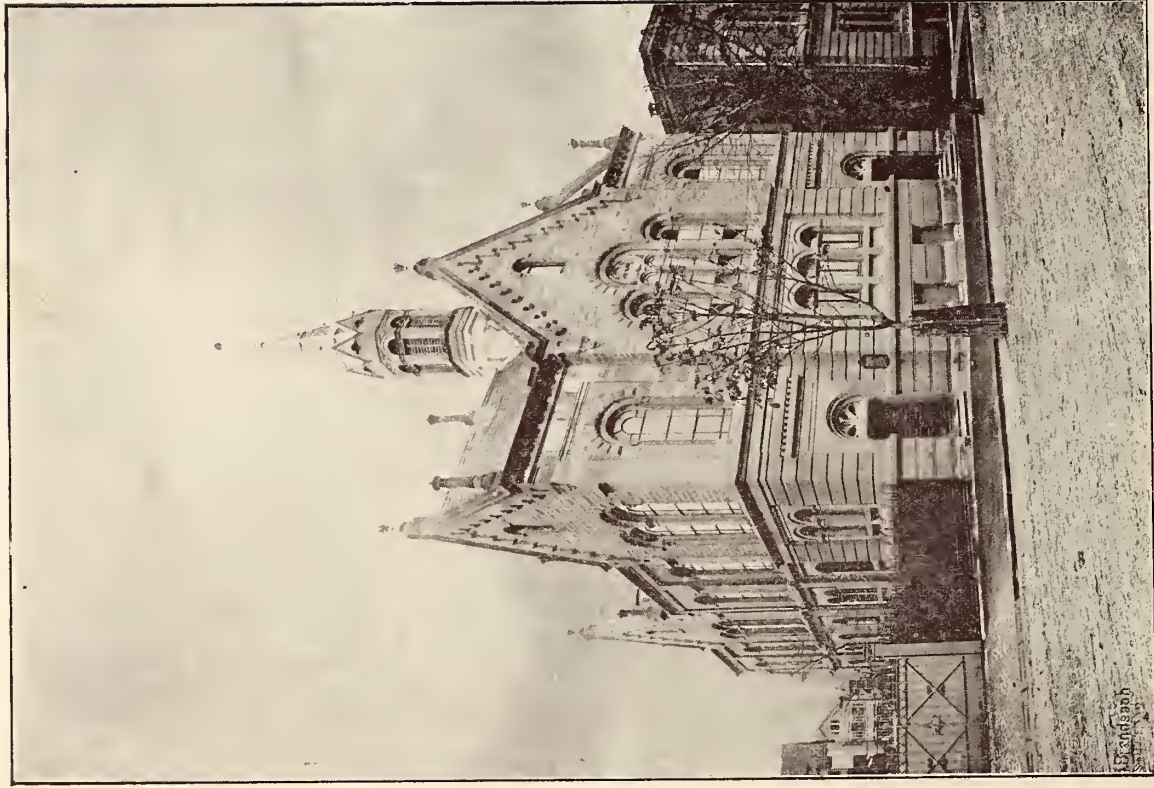


Churches and Institutions in Europe.

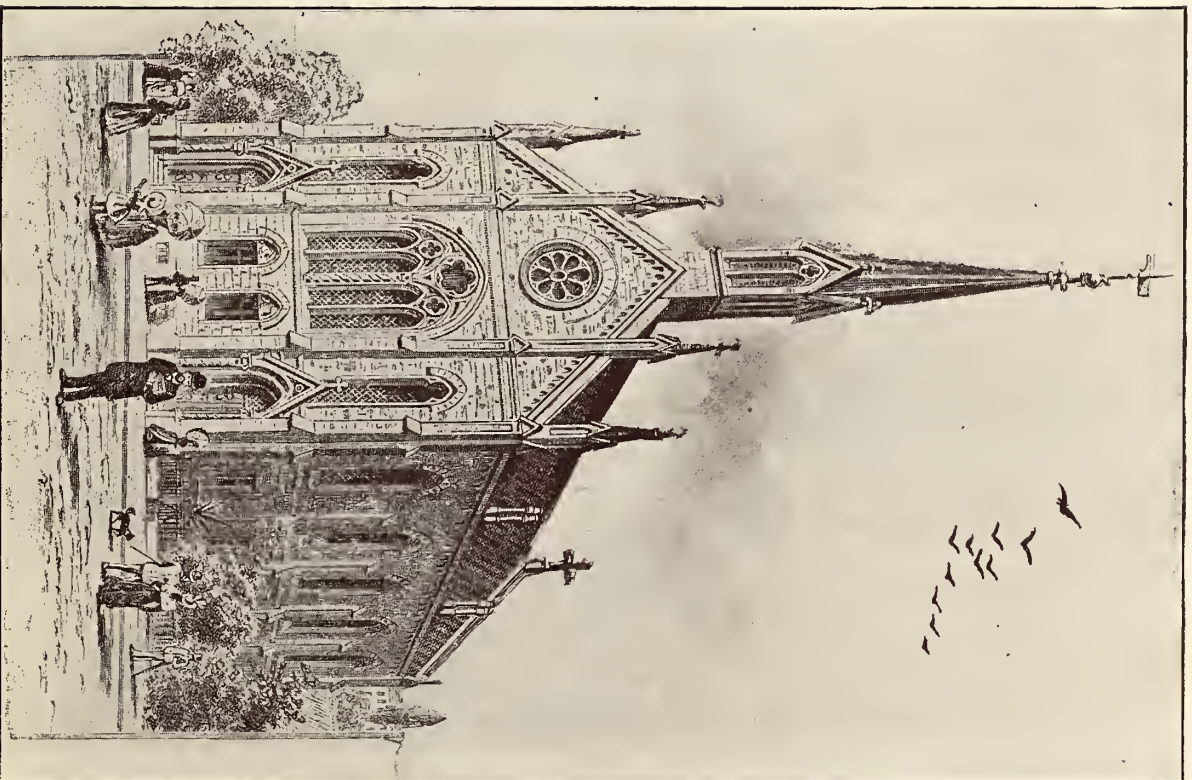
Here we have an excellent view of our church at Reutlingen, Wuerttemberg. It is one of the first of our church edifices in Germany, and illustrates the old style of architecture. The custom was, as was done in this case, to place the audience room on the ground floor, and the parsonage occupied the second floor. As Reutlingen constitutes a center for our work in that region, the church here is often crowded on special occasions, such as conference sessions. In this church also are the apartments occupied by our Theological Seminary. We have a splendid work here. In Stuttgart we have a similar combination. There the Publishing House and church are in the same building, the Publishing House is in the basement and on the ground floor, and the church up stairs. As will be seen by the picture, the building is much grander than that at Reutlingen, owing partly to the demands of the municipal authorities and regulations. The audience room seats 1000 to 1200 persons. The church at Zurich, Switzerland, is the most beautiful of our churches in Europe. The expensive style of architecture is also due to the municipal regulations. Many of our American friends have heard much of this building through the collector, Bro. S. F. Maurer, who spent more than a year here collecting for it. But what is best of all, we have also a large and flourishing congregation there.



Evangelical Church in Reutlingen, Germany.



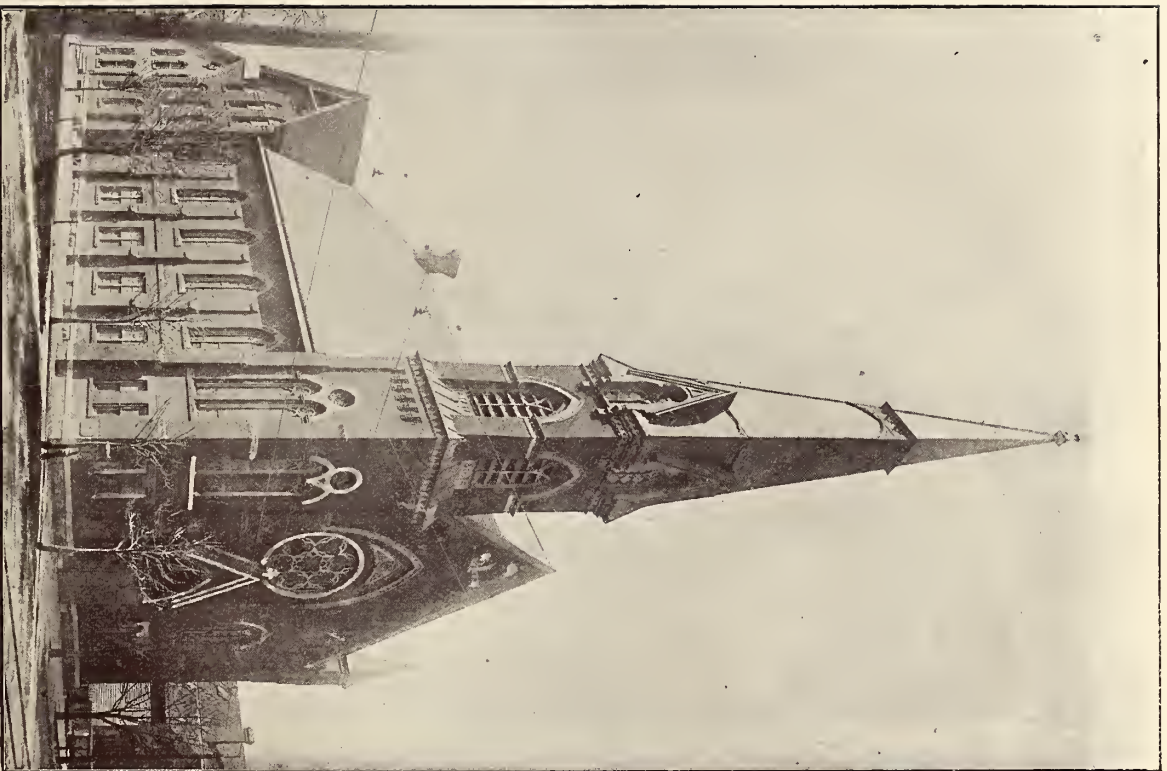
Publishing House in Stuttgart, Germany.



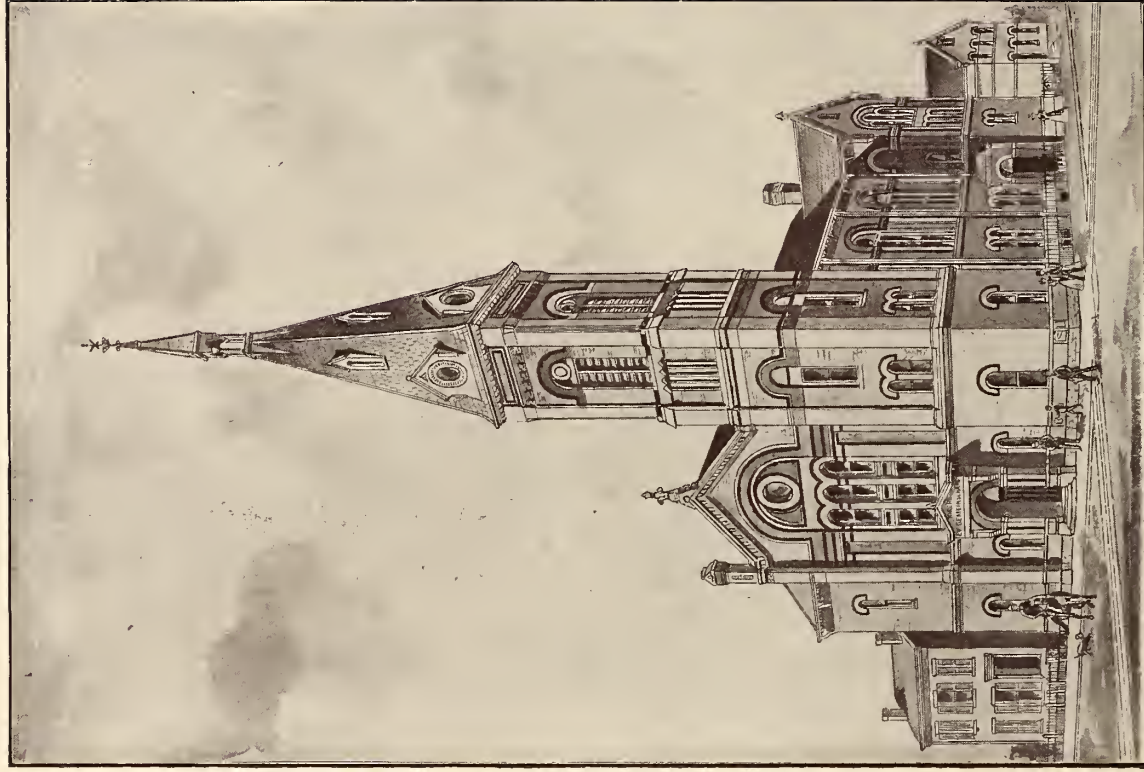
Evangelical Church in Zurich, Switzerland.



These two places will ever be memorable as the churches where the two epochal General Conferences of the Evangelical Association were held, in 1887 and 1891 respectively. The first picture gives a good view of the beautiful First Church of Buffalo, N. Y., on the corner of Sycamore and Spruce Streets, where the General Conference of 1887 was held. The building is of brick, stately, massive and spacious. Then we have a view of the beautiful church in Indianapolis, Ind., in which the historic Indianapolis General Conference was held in 1891, which has been so triumphantly vindicated in the civil courts of our land. It is a spacious building, and must always be associated in our minds with those stirring times. Here also the first General Convention of Laymen in the history of our Church was held. The last of the group represents the members of the Indianapolis General Conference. The view was taken on the steps of the State Capitol—a suggestive forshadowing of the fact that this General Conference and its transactions would be so magnificently sustained by the highest authorities in every State, where its rights have been contested and tested. It is an historic body, well worthy of being preserved in fadeless sun-pictures to the latest time.



First Evangelical Church, Buffalo, N. Y.



Evangelical Church, Indianapolis, Ind.



Members of Indianapolis General Conference.



This is our largest church in the city of Chicago. But that is not its chief distinction. It was here that the seceders from the Illinois Conference, on the morning of April 10, 1890, locked and guarded the doors against the senior bishop, and against other and aged members of the Church. This was one of the most dramatic scenes of the ecclesiastical rebellion, which will ever be a burning disgrace to the perpetrators. The church edifice is now again occupied by the ministers and members of the Evangelical Association by the decision of the Supreme Court of Illinois, but never will the sad scenes enacted before and within its locked doors be forgotten.



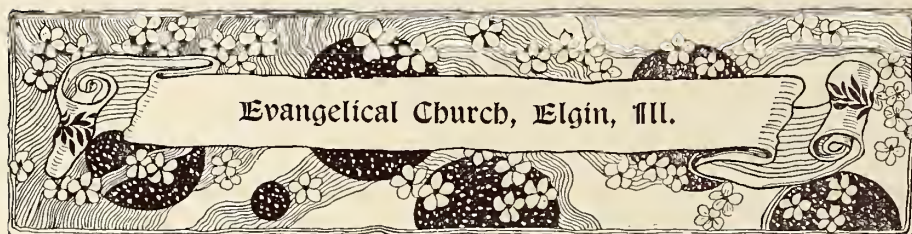
Sheffield Avenue Church, Chicago, Ill.



This is another of those historic scenes connected with the sad division of our Church. Here, amid intense excitement, on the morning of February 26, 1891, the seceders from our Church forcibly debarred Bishop Bowman from entering the church and presiding at the conference. The picture was taken while the bishop and the throng stood still on the great stone steps of the church, awaiting the outcome of the struggle within. Here the fatal step was taken which disrupted the Church and made reconciliation impossible—the appointing of a pseudo General Conference. The doors and windows of the sacred edifice were barricaded as against a mob, but unwittingly the barricades have shut the perpetrators of this disgraceful and unchristian act out of the Evangelical Association. The true East Pennsylvania Conference was, nevertheless, held in the First Ward Church. The Lord has since wonderfully blessed the Spartan band, who, under the intrepid leadership of Rev. S. C. Breyfogel (now bishop) took such a noble stand against rebellion that fateful day.



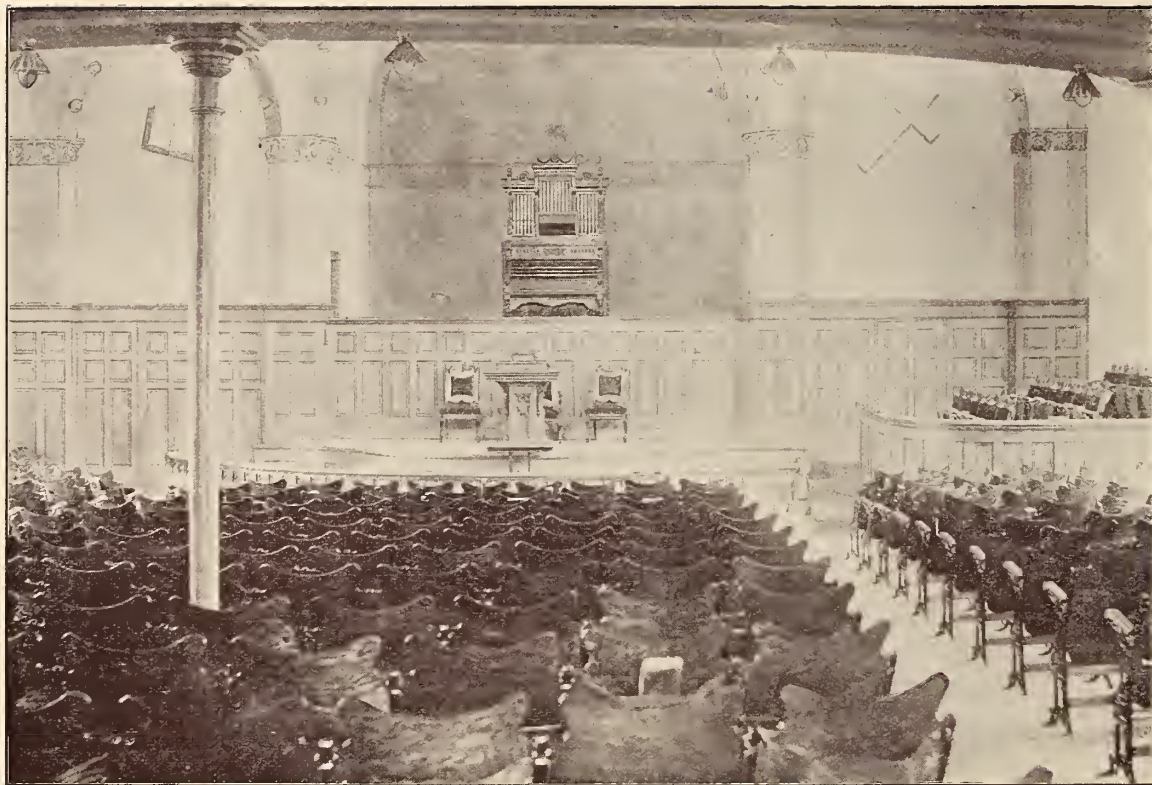
Ebenezer Church, Allentown, Pa.



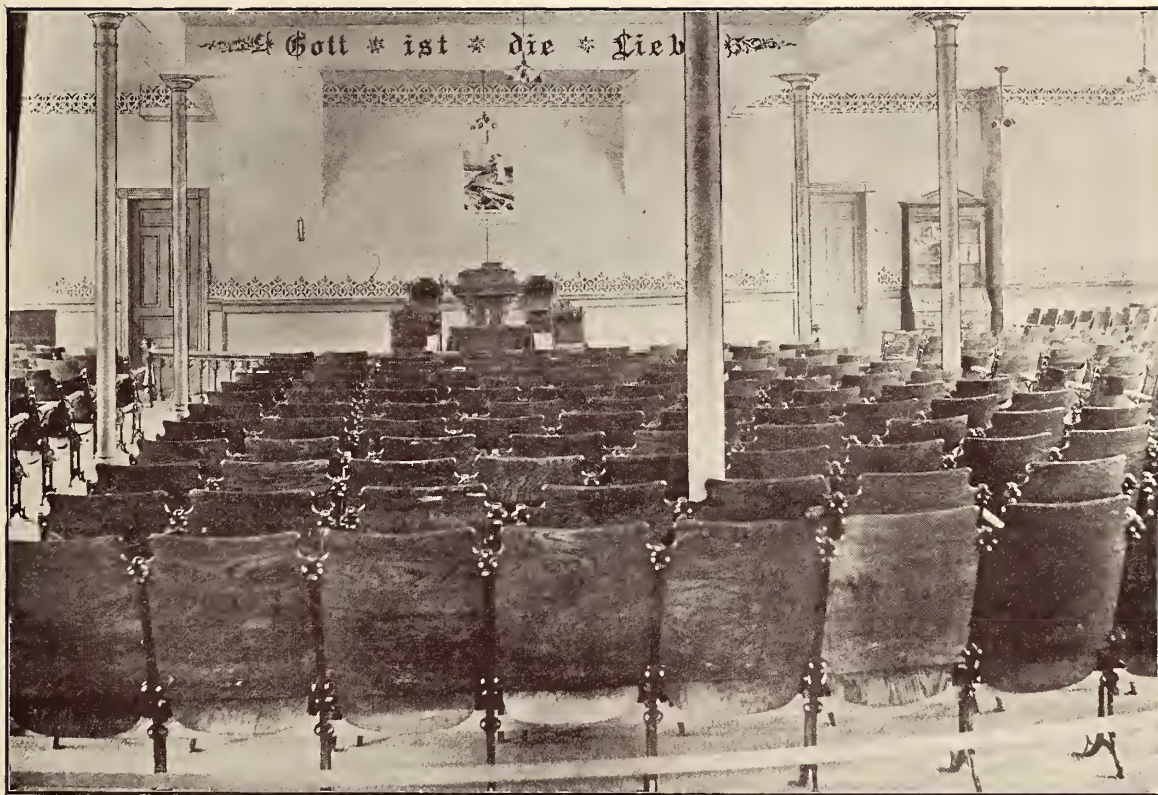
This is the building in which the next General Conference (1895) the first after the secession, is to be held. To it all eyes will turn. It is believed to be the finest and best church edifice in the Evangelical Association in this country. It was erected at a cost of \$30,000 in 1893, and dedicated January 17, by Bishop W. Horn. It is built of St. Louis pressed brick, in modern style of architecture, and is 60 by 86 feet in size, with gables facing either street and a Medieval tower on the corner. We are also given a view of the interior of this beautiful church. It is handsomely decorated, and lighted with several hundred incandescent lights. It is seated with 800 upholstered opera chairs, but 1000 people can easily be accommodated. It has also a model Sunday-school room, with a seating capacity of 400. This room is furnished with finely upholstered chairs, similar to those in the main auditorium. The General Conference never met here before, but we believe it will be a pleasant place for the meeting. Certainly, the church in which it meets affords all the facilities necessary for the work of this important body. Those who are elected as delegates, and live to attend, may expect an enjoyable time.



Evangelical Church, Elgin, Ill.



Auditorium of Elgin, Ill., Church.



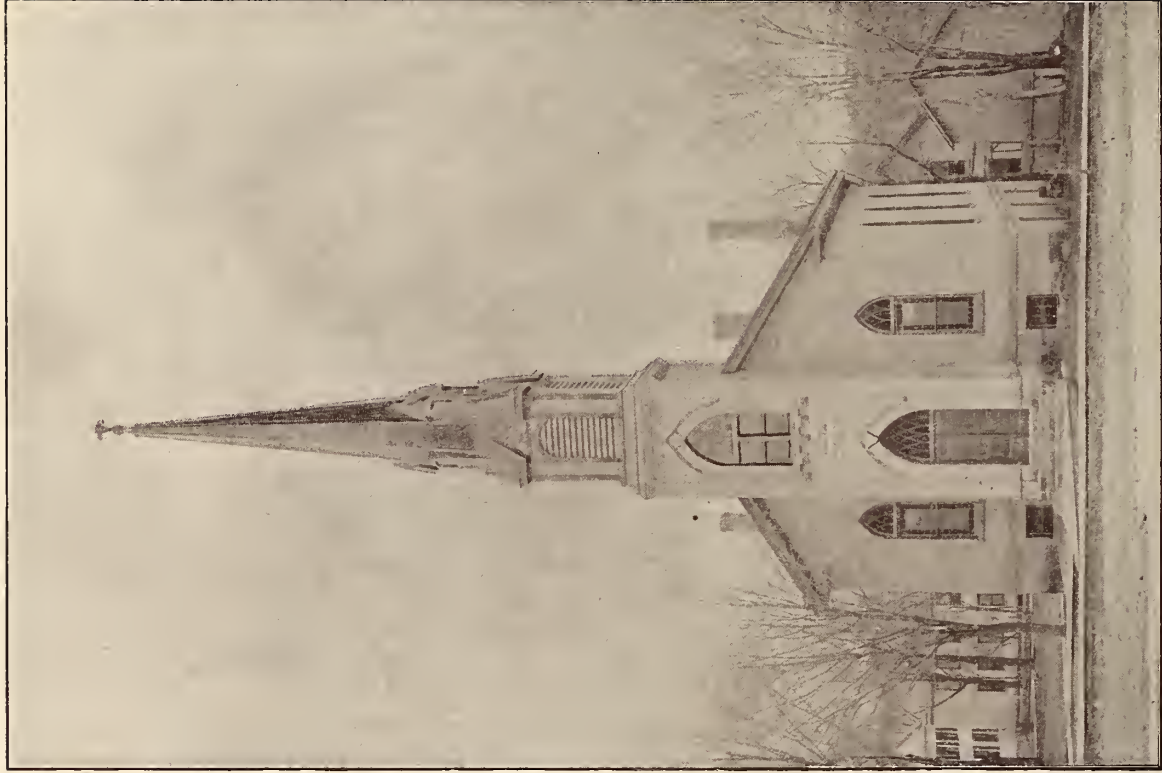
Sunday-School Room of Elgin, Ill., Church.



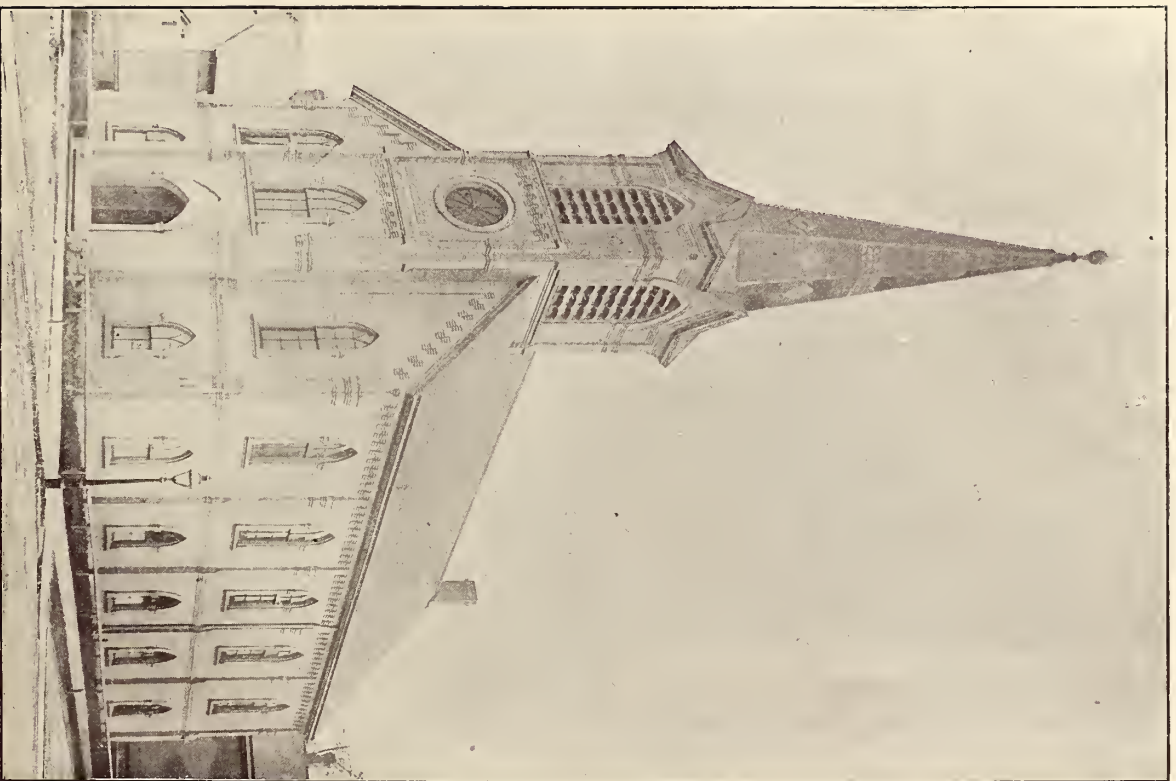
The Ohio and Wisconsin Conferences are two of the oldest and strongest Annual Conferences in the Church, the latter the granddaughter of the former—the Illinois having been formed out of the Ohio, and the Wisconsin out of the Illinois. The Ohio is, since the formation of the Erie Conference in 1876, exclusively English, the Wisconsin thus far German. It is the giant of the Northwest, having 80 ministers and 12,016 members, while the older Ohio has 55 active ministers and 8,555 members. At Akron, Ohio, stands the largest church edifice in the bounds of the Ohio Conference. It is 56x104 in size, and has a model Sunday-school room on the same floor with the audience room, or, rather, a suite of ten rooms, eight of which are on a level with the gallery. The church seats 1000 persons. Rev. L. H. Seager is the successful pastor. Of the many beautiful churches of Wisconsin Conference we are enabled to present views of the Madison Church, and the Tabor Church, Milwaukee. Rev. H. E. Erffmeyer is the pastor at Madison, and Rev. G. Fritsche of the church in Milwaukee. Milwaukee is a German city. Our Church has prospered there from the first, as in a congenial mission field. But the same is true all over the State. The conference has labored earnestly to accomplish its great mission, and has succeeded.



Calvary Church, Akron, Ohio.



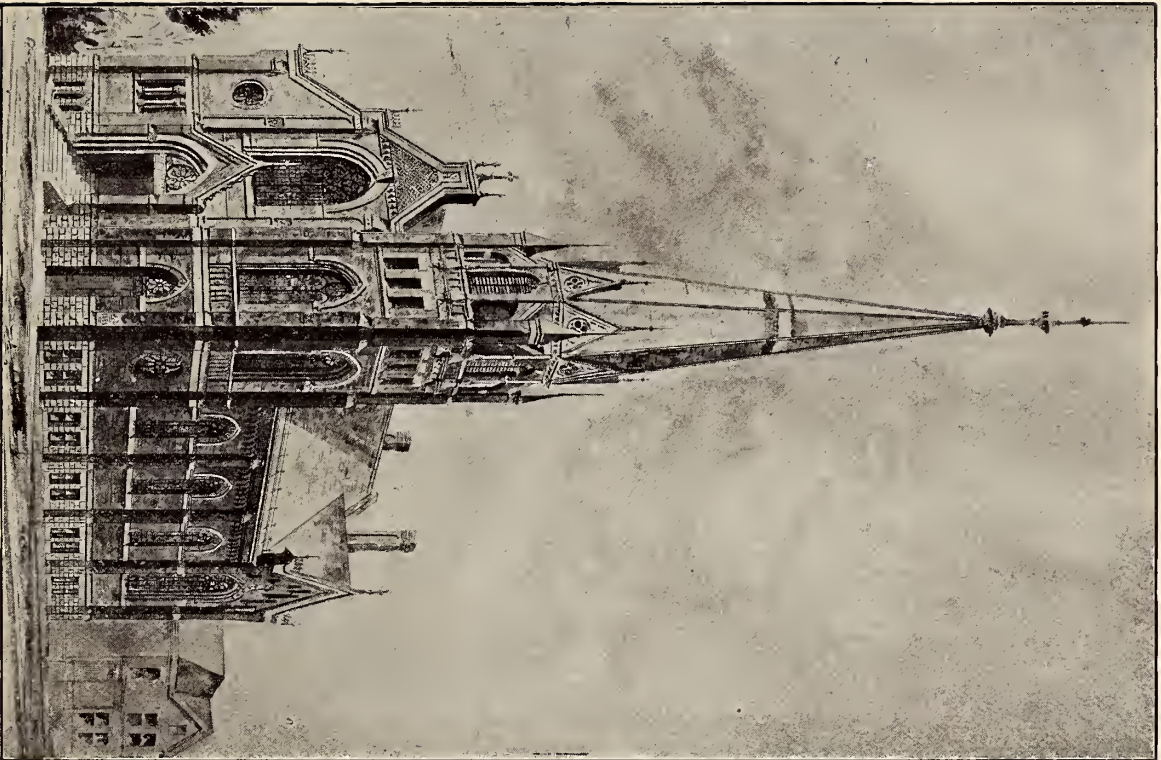
Evangelical Church, Madison, Wis.



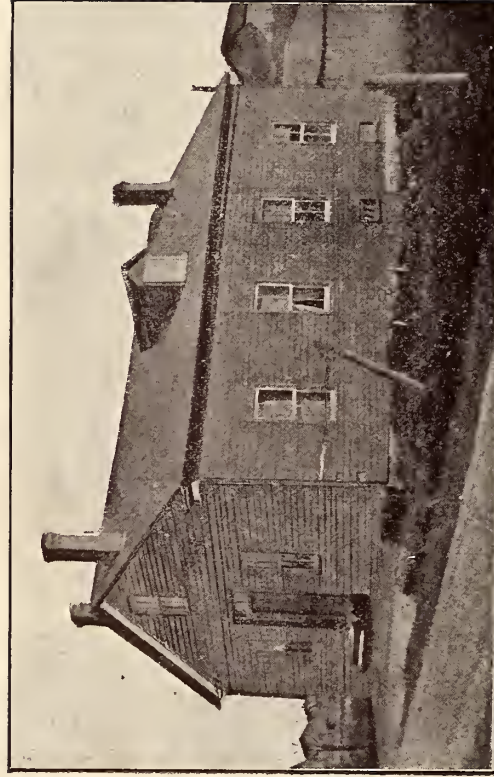
Tabor Church, Milwaukee, Wis.



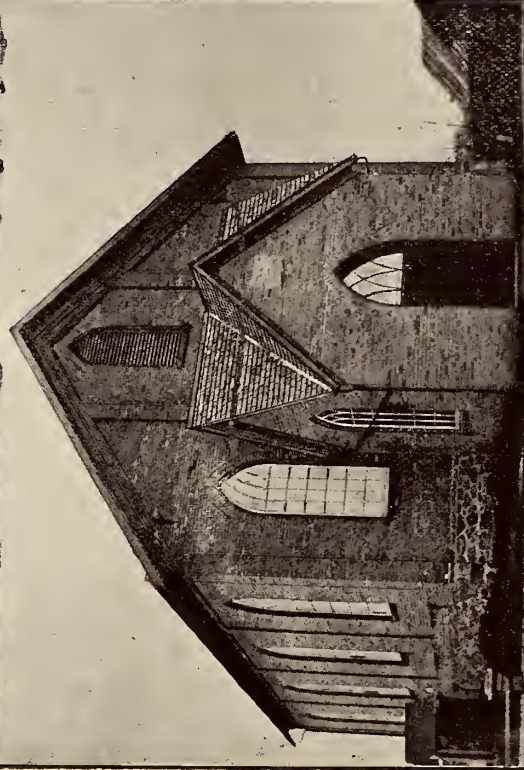
This is a beautiful modern structure of brick and stone, with a tall, graceful spire. The building is cathedral shaped, and presents an imposing appearance. It is located on Pine Street. Rev. Herman Plantikow is the pastor. There are four other Evangelical Churches in St. Paul. Many will be agreeably surprised to find such stately and elegant church edifices in the comparatively new Northwest. The second and third views represent the three successive church edifices erected in Berlin, Ontario, in the Canada Conference. Rev. Joseph Harlacher began missionary labors in Berlin in 1840. The first church in Berlin, which was also the first of our denomination in the Dominion of Canada, was built in 1841, and dedicated September 29th of that year. Later this had to give place to a second and more commodious church building, shown in the engraving. But this, too, became too small for the large and growing society, and in 1893 the third and present structure was begun, and completed in 1894, when it was dedicated by Bishops Esher and Bowman. This is an elegant and substantial building in the modern style of architecture, and cost upwards of \$20,000. In this new edifice the annual meeting of the Board of Missions and of the Missionary Society was held in October, 1894.



Evangelical Church, St. Paul, Minn.

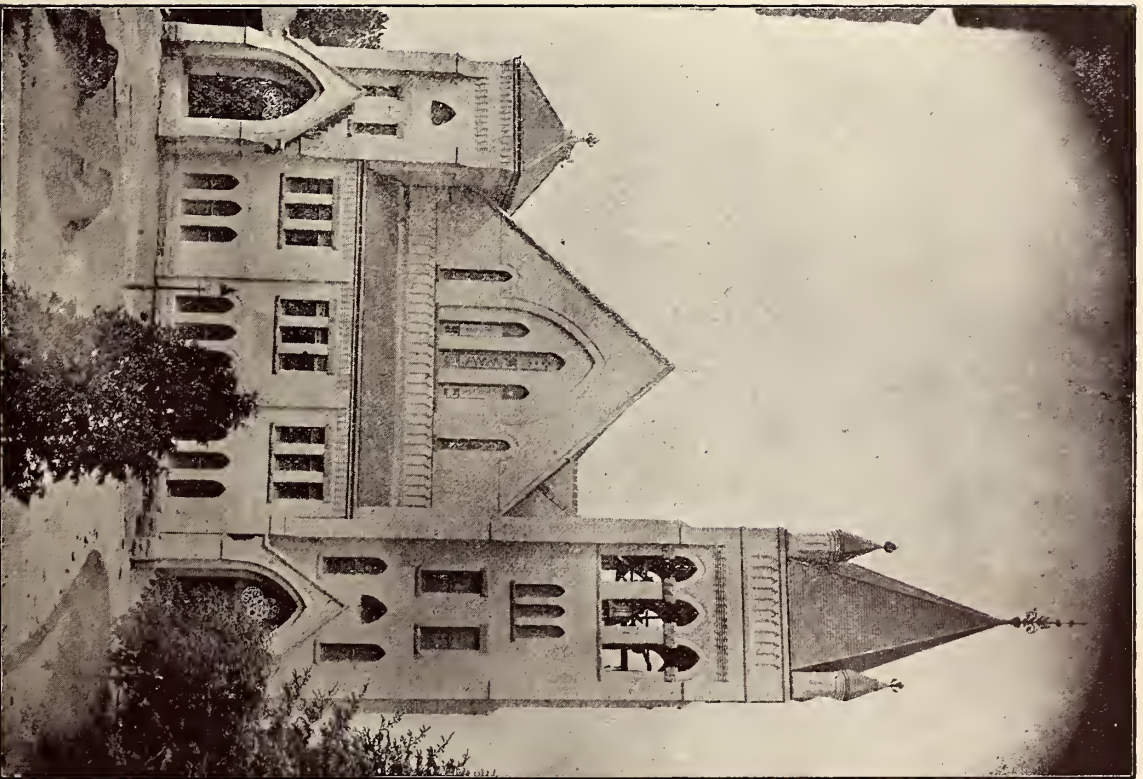


FIRST CHURCH OF THE EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION IN CANADA



SECOND CHURCH OF THE EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION IN CANADA

First and Second Church, Berlin, Ont.



Evangelical Church, Berlin, Ont.



This is a peep, through the entrance gate, into Linwood Park, the famous Evangelical Summer resort, just such a glimpse as the visitor gets when he approaches the entrance. Superintendent C. F. Negele stands under the arch, ready to receive you, and show you to your room or cottage, nestling somewhere amid the cool shade, and within hearing of the ceaseless roar of old Erie's restless waves. A view is also given of the principal hotel on the grounds, with Bro. C. A. Thomas, and W. Lingelbach, P. E. of Cleveland District, Erie Conference, in the foreground. Then we have a view of the large tabernacle, in which the camp-meetings and other meetings are held, with Rev. W. Lingelbach standing close by. This park is a very pleasant and healthful Summer resort, right on the shores of Lake Erie, about 40 miles west of Cleveland, and can be reached either on the Lake Shore or Nickel Plate R. R.



Entrance to Linwood Park.



Hotel at Linwood Park.



Tabernacle at Linwood Park.



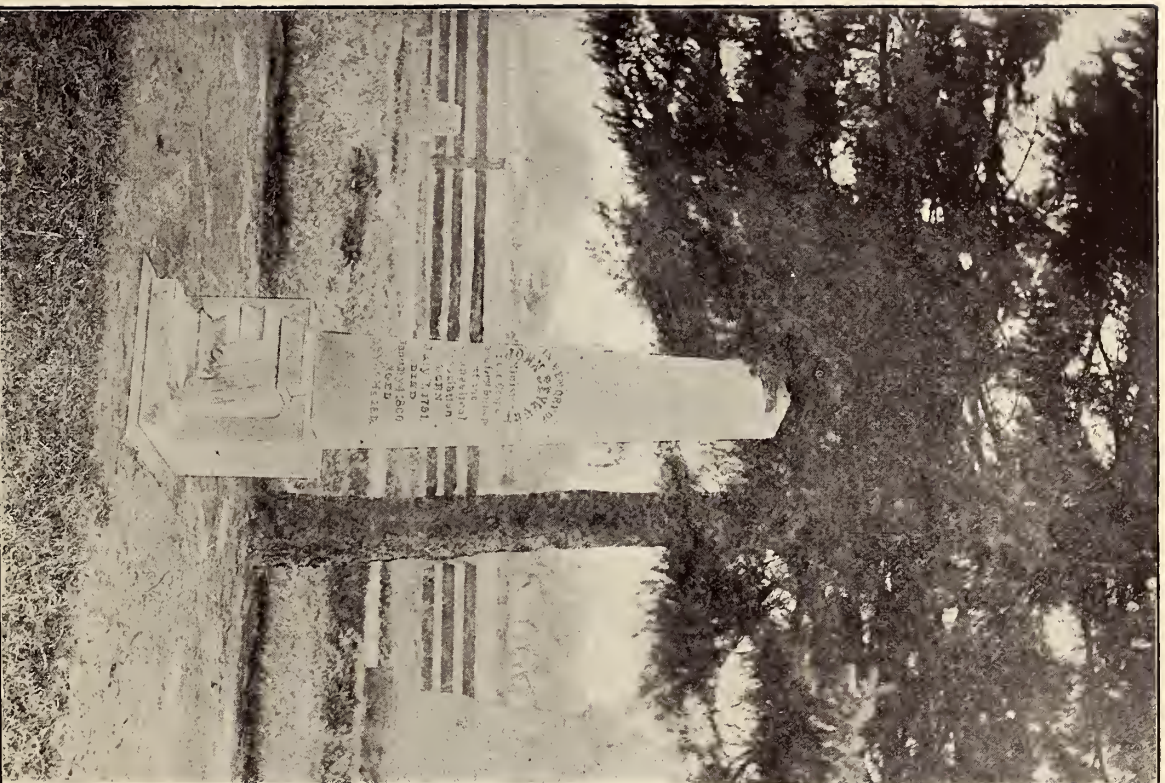
To members of the Evangelical Association, everything connected with the person of its revered founder, Bishop Jacob Albright, possesses a peculiar and undying interest. Relics, however, are very rare. In the first of the two pictures of the group before us, we have a view of his home in Lancaster County, Pa., to which place he removed at the time of his marriage in 1785. It was a plain, substantial two-story house, of the old colonial style, a typical Pennsylvania farmer's home. Here "the Honest Brick Maker" plied his trade. From this door he went out, in 1796, to preach the Gospel. The second picture represents the house of George Becker, at Muehlbach, where the faithful servant of the Lord, our beloved Albright, died happy in the Lord May 18, 1808, in the 50th year of his life. Here his eventful journey ended. Here he sank down, exhausted, unable to proceed to his home, which he had hoped to reach. The place will ever be respected, in Evangelical circles, as the spot where the angels of God came to carry this weary toiler home to heaven. The remains of the sainted and beloved Bishop John Seybert rest in the cemetery at Flat Rock, Ohio, near the Ebenezer Orphan Home, beneath a neat, plain and thoroughly appropriate marble monument, seen in the picture. What hallowed associations cluster around this sacred spot! Many an Evangelical itinerant has entered a new covenant of consecration while standing by this mound, and to the end of time, no doubt, pilgrimages will be made to it, not to worship Seybert, but to praise Seybert's God.



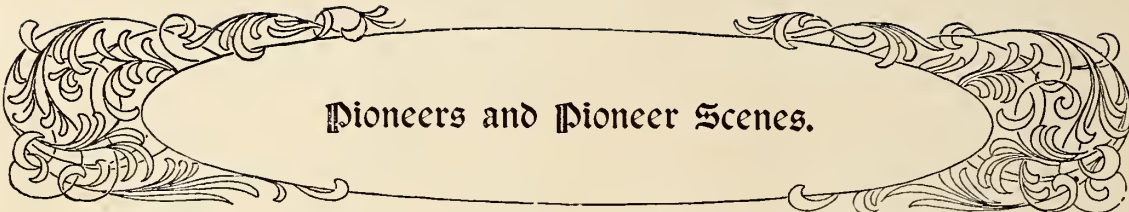
Home of Bishop Albright.



Home in which Bishop Albright Died.



Bishop Seybert's Grave.



Pioneers and Pioneer Scenes.

Rev. W. Goessele of the Illinois Conference, and Rev. Francis Hoffman, of the East Pa. Conference, both of whom passed from labor to reward while this album was being made, were pioneer preachers of the Evangelical Association. Both did faithful, heroic service. The picture on page 110 gives an excellent view of a typical log church, of pioneer days in Wisconsin. This one is situated in Sauk County, Wisconsin, and is still, we believe, in use. The picture on page 111 gives us a good idea of a Western sod hut or dug-out church of even more modern times. Churches like this can be found all over the great West. They are built of blocks of prairie sod, and do excellent service. In these log churches and sod-house sanctuaries many souls are saved. Here the pioneer itinerant dispenses the Word in the power of untutored simplicity to an unsophisticated, hardy, common-sense people, who gladly receive the Word and turn to the Lord by scores. Homely earthly tenements as they are, they prove the house of God indeed, to many, and the very gate of heaven.



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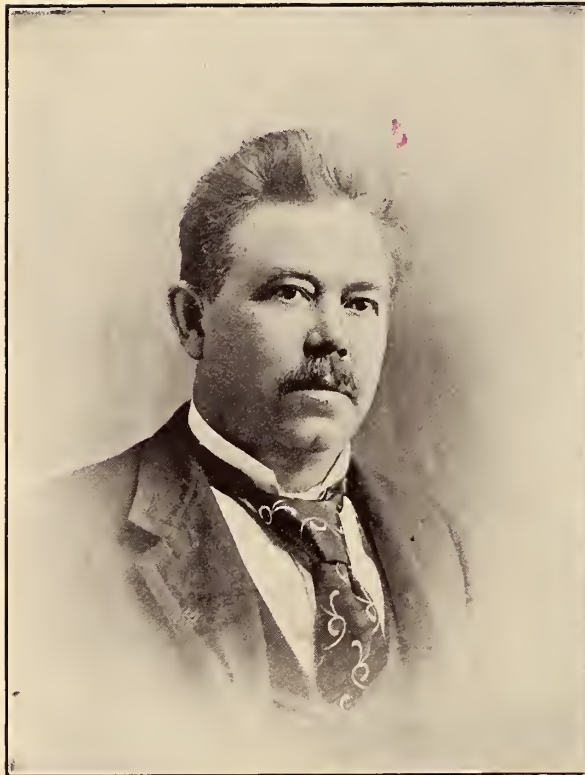
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Died July 26, 1894.



A Log Church in Wisconsin.



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